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PUBLIC ROBBERY

Plot to Enrich Certain Land Sharks.

THE ALDERMEN IGNORE THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE.

And Vote to Purchase Swamp Park Land.

At a time when the mills are shut down or working on short time, when thousands are out of employment, when the street department is unable to give employment to the idle, when the Church League is aroused and adopts measures for relief, when landlords complain that they do not receive their rent, when the pauper department is over-run with applications for relief, when the spectre of famine is at the doors of hundreds of families in this city, is it not astounding that the board of aldermen has voted to purchase a tract of swamp land as an addition to Fort Hill park.

In the face of the hard times and general distress among the poor people, the aldermen have the audacity to vote for a scheme which has been railroaded through committees by questionable methods and finally voted for by Aldermen Westall, Evans, Choate, F. W. Puffer, S. B. Puffer and Elwyn Lovejoy. To the credit of Alderman McDonald it should be stated that he voted against the swindle. The aldermen oppose the increase of salaries that they might with greater chances of success make a raid on the treasury for the benefit of a land syndicate. This is a conspiracy against the city and not a scheme for the benefit of the people. It is little short of public robbery.

The people voted upon this project a few years ago and defeated it. The syndicate has been trying to work the city council into purchasing the land ever since and has now succeeded so far as the aldermen are concerned. But the matter is to come before the common council, the people's branch of the city government. There is in that body, we believe, a majority that will stand firmly for the people's interest that will stand against looting the treasury for the benefit of land sharks when the city is nearly bankrupt and when thousands are on the verge of destitution.

Every man who votes for this land scheme should be relegated to political oblivion at the first opportunity. In the common council there were men who stood the test and proved loyal to the people; and we still have faith in their honesty and their good judgment. They refused to be bribed last year by liquor licenses, let them if necessary reject the offer of house lots this year, and preserve their reputation for sound democracy as for honesty and integrity without a blemish. If they do this the people will reward them in due time; if they fail in their duty they will go down into ignominious political graves just as soon as their present term of official life shall expire.

A public meeting has been called to devise ways and means of relieving the poor, let another meeting be called to voice the public indignation at this proposed act of public plunder.

Let a public hearing be given by the city council in order that the taxpayers may have an opportunity to voice their indignation at this flagrant attempt to loot the treasury. This is a case in which the true friends of the people can show the stuff they are made of. Do not let a clique of land speculators impose their scheme on the common council? Those who will oppose it will deserve well of their constituents; those who will vote for it will deserve the execration of the people at large.

Tonight the council is called together evidently to act upon this resolution. What action will be taken? We venture to predict that the resolution will be defeated and the men who will defeat it may not have their names written in golden letters over the portals of the new city hall, but they will be written in the hearts of the people.

PRINT CLOTHS SOLD.

BY IT 30,000 OPERATIVES WILL BE BENEFITED.

This Ensures the Running of Fall River Mills All Winter—Sale Was the Largest on Record.

By Telegraph to THE SUN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. The Press says: The details of a transaction which will give prosperity to nearly 25,000 mill hands in Fall River were made public in this city yesterday.

By recent purchase of about 800,000 pieces of print cloths, at a cost of more than $1,000,000, by M. C. D. Borden of Bliss, Fabyan & Co., the overstocked market for print cloths has been relieved; the trade, which had become stagnant, has been given a new lease of life, and the demand for the goods has increased to such an extent that the Fall River mills have received orders which will keep them running through the winter, thus providing for 25,000 mill hands, and in all about 30,000 persons dependent upon the mills for support.

Mr. Borden said yesterday that the purchase, which is one of the largest on record while unusual, considering the state of the trade, was made for business reasons only, and not for political effect or from a philanthropic motive.

The relief that it will bring was a happy phase of the matter, however.

The Park Land Scheme.

Considerable comment is being made on the street today on the action of the board of aldermen in passing the $70,000 park scheme resolution. Business men are looking for a check on the part of the council, tonight.

THE NEEDY

Church League Formulates a Relief Plan.

MINISTRY-AT-LARGE TO BECOME DISTRIBUTING CENTER.

Committee of Seven to Take Charge of the Work.

The Church League met at the call of the executive committee in the Board of Trade rooms last evening. President G. W. Bacheldor was in the chair. After prayer by Rev. G. H. Johnson, a report which was as follows, was made by Rev. Frank O. Hall of the First Universalist church:

We find the Ministry-at-Large in possession of a large amount of tabulated information which would be simply invaluable to the Church League in the work of relief which it proposes to undertake. Mr. Wright kindly tenders his office and his services to the League.

We recommend that the Ministry-at-Large be selected as the central office of the Church League, that Mr. Wright be furnished with an assistant, to be paid by the League, and that the work of relief be carried on under the direction of Mr. Wright, should it be approved by the committee of seven.

We recommend that a committee of seven be appointed to carry into execution the plan of relief discussed before the league and referred for action to the executive committee.

We suggest that this committee prepare a circular letter, to be distributed in all the churches of the city, asking the people of these churches to file information as to any small pieces of work they desire to have done.

We have become convinced that a large majority of those persons who apply at the doors of houses for aid are unworthy of such assistance, and we recommend that the people of the city be requested to assist no one at the door, but to refer all cases to the overseers of the poor at city hall or to the Ministry-at-Large.

We find that merchants are willing to furnish the necessities of life to needy people recommended by the agents of the Church League as worthy, at the lowest wholesale price. We recommend that the committee of seven avail themselves of this generosity in behalf of the needy.

We recommend that each church in the league to be requested to appoint a number of ladies to act as friendly visitors to the homes of the poor, and that such be prepared to give not merely food and clothing, but a kind word and a helping hand to such families as the agents of the league say, after investigation, are fit to recommend for such necessities.

We recommend to the committee of seven that they provide or avail themselves of some existing institutions for the temporary housing of worthy men and women who are in need of lodging and protection.

F. O. HALL,
W. H. WIGGIN,
R. A. GREENE.

The committee of seven therein referred to are President Bacheldor, W. H. Wiggin, T. H. Elliott, Rev. Dr. Thomas, Rev. F. O. Hall, A. L. Russell and Artemas Tyler. The report was discussed and finally adopted.

Then in behalf of the committee Rev. Dr. Thomas read the following appeal:

To the Public:

Our city shares the general depression. The unemployed are numerous among us. A little help rightly bestowed now will tide over the hard times and prevent pauperism. The churches and charitable societies and individuals are doing much but are not sufficient for the unusual pressure now made for help. The Church League has carefully formulated plans to administer help wisely and economically. It now asks for means to carry on the work. It needs money, cast-off clothing for men, women and children, provisions of every kind and fuel.

We request that in each church a subscription be taken on Christmas Sunday if practicable, or as soon thereafter as possible, for the work of the league.

We request that the churches continue in their work of help.

We request that the churches continue in their work of helping their own people, for such personally bestowed help has been found to be best in its results.

We ask each church to select carefully some two or three discreet persons who will as visitors aid the work of the league if called on so to do.

Let all the charitable join hands with us in this work. Send money or clothing to any member of the committee of seven, or send a postal and you will be called on for your contribution.

A full report of the receipts will be made public

Do not bestow help on unknown persons who apply at the residence or on the street. Send all who ask help to the members who constitute the committee of seven.

To the churches of Lowell:

There is much want and suffering among the unemployed of the city. The Church League believes it to be the duty of all, without regard to name or creed, so as to relieve this suffering. It is proposed that funds be raised for this purpose, to be expended under the direction of the committee appointed by the Church League. In the furtherance of this plan the Church League invites each church in the city to take a subscription and collection on Christmas Sunday, Dec. 24, or as soon after as practicable. Cards have been prepared and will be furnished and you are requested to fill them out, stating the sum you are willing to give, sign your name and residence, and place in the contribution boxes. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

By vote of Church League, Dec. 19, 1893.
COMMITTEE OF SEVEN.

Rev. Mr. Keungott in reference to the report asked what provision had been made for the homeless.

Rev. Dr. Thomas said no definite arrangements had been made, and while he had personally investigated Capt. Gardner's mission, and found that it was doing good work in its particular line, it was not practical to have men's and women's apartments in the same building. He would suggest the caring for homeless women in another place. Continuing he spoke of the many applications daily received from men and women for assistance. They do not ask for charity; they want work and will accept food and raiment for compensation.

Dr. Thomas quoted an instance of misdirected charity. It seems that a certain merchant had sent to the ministers of the city blank orders on him for articles of clothing, the orders to be filled for the needy. The firm was obliged to cancel its order for the reason that one pastor had distributed the orders to certain of his parishioners and they had instantly taken advantage of the opportunity. It happened that well-to-do persons were thus made beneficiaries of a firm's generosity.

Dr. Thomas emphasized the statement that the intent of the league was not to feed an army of tramps, to bail out free soup, or to give well-to-do people parlor suites.

Secretary Smith of the Board of Trade made the practical suggestion that where ever possible arrangement be made with boarding house keepers to lodge and feed women, the expense to be borne by the league. This would avoid considerable labor and be the shortest way to accomplish a given object. Mr. Smith stated that the prevailing rate of board and lodging on the corporations was $1.75 per week, outside of a sum per head given by the corporation to the boarding mistress.

Rev. Mr. Thomas inquired if this was as low a rate as could be obtained, and Mr. Smith said he believed it was lower than the league could reach.

Rev. Messrs. Keungott, Merriam and Dana were heartily in sympathy with the suggestion on the ground that it would give immediate relief.

Considerable talk which followed during the point was made that the people to be helped want work and not charity, and work should be equally planned by the league, as to how to furnish food.

On the matter of popular subscriptions to be expended by the city treasurer, Rev. Mr. Hall expressed his belief that it was not practical. He inquired what the school children had done in the way of contributing to charitable ends. The Dover street school contributions were cited and a discussion was stopped by the suggestion of President Bacheldor that the school board rules might prohibit school collections

W. H. Wiggin told of his employing men in levelling land and putting up houses just to give them work. Give men work and they will not feel like paupers.

The Central Labor union sent a delegation to confer with the executive committee, and it was reported that the union would like if possible to second the efforts of the league, by seeing that whatever help is given that it goes into proper channels, or as Dr. Thomas expressed it, that those in need get one plateful rather than one person get three platefuls and another none.

Hon. G. A. Marden was called upon to speak on the subject from the editorial point of view, at the suggestion of a clergyman who had inquired what the newspapers would do in the way of assistance.

Mr. Marden's idea was for the churches to get up steam and then for the pastors to present the cause to their people. As a result of his suggestion, a committee, Messrs. Marden, Merriam and Elliott, was appointed to arrange for special church services on next Sunday or sometime thereafter as soon as practicable.

Rev. L. C. Manchester said that the needs of the hour brought together for united action the clergy of the city, and he could promise hearty support on his part.

There was considerable discussion on various matters and then Mrs. Clark spoke in behalf of a home for fallen women. The league then adjourned.

Some Comment.

A gentleman who was present at the meeting said to a SUN reporter "The whole agitation of the Church League has finally reached the point where this matter was ten years ago, namely the Associated Charities. It will be remembered that Rev. Mr. Manchester and Rev Mr. Duganne worked hard to keep up the Associated Charities; but the Trinitarians thought they were too good for this and so withdrew their support. But now when an emergency is at hand the clergy of the city after beating about in the bush come right to the Ministry-at-Large for help; this is the time when the Associated Charities would have been the distributed center to the worthy poor."

THE SUN HOLDS THAT CITY FUNDS SHOULD NOT BE PAID FOR NEEDLESS PARK LAND WHILE THOUSANDS ARE OUT OF WORK

REPORTED FORGERY.

WELL KNOWN FRENCH CANADIAN SAID TO HAVE SKIPPED.

Rumored That He Forged a Check to Meet a Promissory Note Held by a National Bank.

It is reported on the street today that a well known French Canadian who does some legal business together with other business, is missing and that he has forged a check exceeding $200. The merchants who suffer by the alleged forgery are said to be Mr. Landry and Mr. Joseph Marin of Merrimack street.

It is learned that the alleged forgery was to meet a promissory note held by a Merrimack street bank for collection, and the check was upon another bank.

The young man was seen on Thursday last and even his intimate friends say that he has left town.

This noon it was stated that whatever trouble there was will soon be settled.

Communications are invited on the Fort Hill park steal.

REV. MICHAEL O'BRIEN.

Figures in a Lively Runaway Mix Up Yesterday Afternoon.

Merrimack street yesterday afternoon was the scene of an intensely exciting runaway. Rev. Michael O'Brien and his driver were coming across Central bridge when the sleigh overturned, tipping the occupants out gently.

The animal then started to run away with the overturned sleigh, and when it had reached Merrimack street it had parted with all but one shaft, with which it continued up Merrimack street.

The runaway reached John street just as W. H. Parker's sleigh, drawn by a fine pair of horses, was headed across the street. The pedestrians yelled to the driver to "look out," until it was too late. The runaway instead of turning out for the sleigh increased its speed and made a flying jump over the obstruction between the horses and the dasher. It cleared it all, but its hind feet struck the pole of Mr. Parker's sleigh and the anima struck the ground on its head, turning a complete somersault. Bystanders then held the animal.

Mr. Parker's horses did not attempt to run. Mrs. Comber, a neice of Mrs. Parker, was in the sleigh, but escaped uninjured, the only damage sustained by Mr. Parker's sleigh being a broken pole. Fr. O'Brien received no injury and was driven home by Dr. Lathrop.

Whose votes elected the men who have voted for a $70,000 park purchase? The same men who to-day are looking for work.

Express your opinion on the Fort Hill park scheme.

STRIKE ENDED

Olneyville Operatives Are Now At Work.

LONG STRUGGLE OF OVER TEN WEEKS' DURATION.

Agreement Reached and Accepted Last Night

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 20.—With the setting of the sun last evening the long strike in the woolen mill district was brought to an end, and there was general rejoicing. It not only saw the Olneyville strike, but the difficulty at the British hosiery, the Thornton and at Farwell's Central Falls mills satisfactorily adjusted. This left but one mill in Providence where any trouble prevailed, that being the Geneva, and that trouble was adjusted this morning.

The Olneyville woolen mill strike has been the largest and most bitterly fought that has ever taken place in this state. It was inaugurated early in October when the mill owners put into effect a heavy reduction in salaries. On more than a dozen occasions it seemed like a settlement being reached, but each time some obstacle turned up and the strike went on.

Success at Last.

The business men, the clergy, the city officials and the governor were in turn appealed to and endeavored to bring about a satisfactory adjustment, but until yesterday they met with no success.

The Saxon mill operatives were the first to accept the schedule, then Messrs. Fletcher and Farwell of the Providence National and Saranac mills presented revised schedules, which were accepted by the operatives, but then the two mill owners would not start their mills until such times as the owners of the Weybosset and Riverside mills agreed to pay a schedule similar to that which they had submitted.

The Weybosset mills swung into line Monday by agreeing to adopt the Fletcher-Farwell schedule, adding to their concessions yesterday noon by agreeing that the "scab" help who had been recently employed should not be given preference over the strikers. This left only the Riverside mills as the stumbling block.

Five Thousand Were Waiting.

It was noon when the executive committee waited upon Treasurer King of the Riverside mills, and five thousand people waited in Glueyville square to hear the result. When the committee announced that Mr. King had come to terms, agreeing to adopt the Fletcher schedule as a basis of settlement, the operatives went wild with joy.

The compromise means that 6 1-2 per cent was taken from the original reduction of the weavers. The worsted male spinners had their reduction reduced from 15 per cent to 10 per cent, and the woolen male spinners received a similar concession. The drawing-in hands had their pay fixed at 17 1-2 cents per 1000 threads. Young operatives earning $3 and $3.50 a week, who had been cut down 10 per cent, had their reduction reduced to 5 per cent.

Will Be Paid Saturday.

The executive committee received communications from mill owners announcing that they have agreed to pay on Saturday what is earned by the operatives this week, and operations were resumed this morning.

It is estimated that the strike has cost the help $850,000 in salaries, and the business men of the district $300,000 more.

About $10,000 in contributions has been received by operatives from various sources since the strike went into effect. The Wanskuck mills, it is expected, will be started the coming week. These mills shut down just before the strike.

Students Threaten Revenge.

EXETER, N. H., Dec. 20.—From present indications there will be considerable trouble at Exeter academy before the tumult over the recent escapade of the students who posted lithographs in the school is settled. Threatening letters have been sent to several citizens who have become mixed up in the affair, and some of them are warned that the students will seek revenge if the names of those who took part in the bill posting are disclosed.

Charged With Manslaughter.

ORANGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—Charles Saunders and William Thompson, the tramps who were with Patrick Hayes the night before he was found dead near Miller's Falls on Sunday, were held in $5000 each charged with manslaughter. Two others of the party were held in $200 as witnesses.

A Tennessee Verdict.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Dec. 20.—At the inquest of the bodies of Walter Shannon and Mrs. Ann Davis, found murdered in bed, Matt Davis, husband of the woman, acknowledged that he killed them, and the jury justified him, under the circumstances, in doing so. He was released.

Body Blown to Atoms.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 20.—One of the powder mills at the Dupont powder works exploded yesterday. Just before the explosion eight workmen left the building. Edward Gallagher was the only person near the mill, and his body was blown almost to atoms.

The Beta Colbath Disabled.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 20.—The schooner Beta Colbath, from Machias to Boston, with lumber, was driven ashore on the rocks near Spring Point ledge while trying to avoid an unknown schooner. She lost four feet of her stern and rudder.

Assets Are Ample.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 20.—The banking firm of Joseph Steiner & Sons, also Steiner Bros. & Co., at Greenville, have made an assignment without preference. Liabilities, $150,000; assets valued at about $750,000.

IN CONGRESS.

Urgent Deficiency Bill Passed After a Lively Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The house was in an ugly frame of mind all day. The Republicans were in a fighting temper over the Hawaiian situation when the house met, and the row opened immediately. Mr. Cockran's resolution was presented and hurriedly referred to the committee on rules. Then came a sharp skirmish over the Bontelle resolution.

Finally the consideration of the urgent deficiency bill was resumed and some very exciting scenes were enacted before it was finally passed. The item appropriating $200,000 for special examiners was amended so as to prevent the suspension of any pensions without giving the pensioners notice or opportunity to furnish testimony in rebuttal. Ten amendments were also adopted appropriating $180,000 for extra mileage for members and senators, $40,000 for stationery and about $25,000 to pay employes of the house and senate an extra month's pay.

The most bitter opposition existed to each of these propositions, the first of which was denominated on the floor as a proceeding whose scandalous character had not been approached since the days of the famous salary grab. Intense excitement prevailed throughout the discussion. The highest number of votes the minority was able to muster on any motion was 20. Filibustering occupied a great portion of the time.

It was expected that Senator Hoar would open the ball on the president's Hawaiian message, but as Senator Berry desired to speak on the elections bill the Massachusetts senator decided to defer his remarks. He will severely arraign the president in his dealing with the Hawaiian complications.

A Brave Woman.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 20.—Lucy Blackman ventured too far on Berkshire pond and broke through. A. E. Culver went to his assistance, and he, too, broke through. T. W. Joyce attempted a rescue, when he also went into the water. A crowd was watching the three men struggling for their lives, when Miss Annie D. Hallock, a young and pretty teacher, ran up, and, throwing herself flat upon the ice, shouted to the bystanders to fall down also and hold her by the ankles. In this manner she drew the men back to firm ice, one at a time. Miss Hallock was half drowned herself, as the thin ice kept breaking under her, letting her down into the water.

Dole Declines.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Replying to the offer of a company which was organized here to go to Honolulu and fight for the provisional government President Dole declines the proffered assistance.

Queen Empress Goes Home.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The locomotive, Queen Empress, which was exhibited at the World's fair, is on board the steamship Runic, which started on her voyage to England yesterday.

Guilty of Manslaughter.

BOSTON, Dec 20.—S. W. Bryant, colored, pleaded "guilty" to the charge of manslaughter in causing the death of James A. Sullivan, Nov. 28 last. Next Tuesday he will be sentenced.

Olney Won't Resign.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Attorney General Olney authorizes the statement that reports of his resigning from the cabinet are without foundation.

Is Mello's Friend.

ANTWERP, Dec. 20.—Dr. L. Pires Garcia, consul general of Brazil at this city, has been recalled by President Peixoto because he is a relative and admirer of Admiral Mello

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Girard P. Dadman wants to succeed C. H. McIntire as registrar of voters.

It is quite probable that $1100 will be realized by the recent firemen's ball.

John B. Coleman, our well known citizen, is dangerously ill at his home.

The recount of the charter vote will be continued at 3.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Charley Mitchell offers to give $10,000 to the poor if he wins his fight with Corbett.

The Y. M. C. A. gym has secured the services of a physician as a medical examiner.

The street committee and the committee on fire department will meet this afternoon.

Dame Rumor has it that Mayor Pickman intends to nominate Simon B. Harris for assistant assessor in Ward Four to succeed C. Arthur Abbott.

Gov.-elect Greenhalge made the principal address at the gathering of the Unitarians at Salem last night. Rev. George Bachelor also spoke.

This forenoon on Central street a number of sleighs were overturned by coming in contact with car tracks. There were no runaways fortunately.

The story of a shut down over the holidays of the Arlington mills at Lawrence, may have been the reason for rumors of similar action with Lowell mills. Happily there is no foundation for the story affecting Lowell mills.

George F. Stiles & Co., auctioneers, will sell at public auction on Saturday, December 23, at 11 o'clock a. m., at the Palace Pharmacy, so called, on Prescott street, all the stock of goods and fixtures included or named in a certain mortgage given by Joseph W. Moison to Cutter Bros. & Co. Said stock and fixtures to be sold in one lot for cash. Per order of Cutter Bros. & Co., mortgagees.

J. E. Conant & Co., have a positive and absolute sale by public auction of a large lot of new furniture at the store of Victor Pihl, 321 Central street, Lowell, or next to Fay Bros. & Co.'s carriage repository Tomorrow, promptly at 10.30 o'clock a. m., and without limit or reserve of any kind whatsoever, will be sold to the highest bidders, no matter what the bids, over $2000 worth of parlor sets, chamber sets, sitting room and dining room furniture, lounges and bed lounges; parlor and library tables; hall stands, book cases and writing desks; corner cabinets, easy chairs; in fact a splendid lot, and good furniture in great variety. Terms cash. Sale rain or shine. Victor Pihl.

NO MONEY FOR PARK LAND WHILE THE HUNDREDS ARE DESTITUTE.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral of Michael Rourk took place this morning from the Immaculate Conception church and was well attended. Requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Wade Smith, O. M. I., and the regular choir of the church assisted. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Frances Murphy occurred from her late residence, 93 Suffolk street, and was attended by a number of friends and relatives. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery.

What is the public opinion on the land scheme? A luxury or a necessity?

DEATHS.

Grace A. Spears, daughter of Robert L. and Maggie F. Spears, died yesterday at the age of 3 years, 4 months, 14 days.

Ellen Blessington, aged 35 years, died this morning at her home, 405 Market street. Deceased was the wife of Thomas J. Blessington.

McMannon florist, Prescott & Merr'k sts.

MONEY FOR THE PEOPLE UNEMPLOYED BUT NOT FOR A COTERIE OF LAND SHARKS.

Marriage Intentions.

The following intentions were recorded at the city clerk's office today:

Rudger Tellier, 20, to Rosie Collins 18.
Frank M. Bradon 28, to Eva M. Pinkham 18.

RELIEF SUNDAY

Immediate Movement in Behalf of the Poor.

CHURCH LEAGUE'S COMMITTEE APPEALS FOR $15,000.

Great Mass Meeting Arranged for Sunday.

The committee of three for "immediate action" appointed by the Church League last night has already decided upon a plan of action.

"Relief Sunday" is the designation fixed upon, and it is expected that each pastor will do his best to get out the largest meeting and secure the largest contribution possible. He will be looked to to furnish to the people assembled a statement of the sore needs which call for such a demonstration, an outline of just what the League proposes to do and how it proposes to do it, and why the League exists, and he is further expected to devise all sorts of means for getting out a crowd, and for making the meeting lively, interesting and successful in the purpose whereunto it was ordained. There should be good speaking, good music, and the liveliest sort of a time. And what each church proposes to do, will be in all the Saturday papers.

"Relief" Sunday knows no sect, no creed, no party. It has to do with every worthy man, woman and child, whom the present business depression has left unable, for the time being, to care for himself or herself. To assist them—to keep men, women and children from being unhoused because they cannot pay rent, or going hungry because they have no work, or been inadequately clothed and warmed because they have no income—all this demands money. The hunger, the cold, the nakedness exist now. The relief is needed NOW. Suffering men, women and children cannot wait any red tape delays, or dilatory motions. "He gives twice who gives quickly."

Mass Meeting in Huntington Hall.

Other cities are holding mass meetings to aid in the same cause and it has been determined to call such a meeting for 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Huntington hall in addition to the church meeting. Gov.-elect Greenhalge is expected to preside and a distinguished orator from another city is expected to be present. The details of the meeting are not yet fully arranged, but they will be duly announced. Prominent business men will take part, and a large sum of money will be raised.

Thousands for the syndicate to pay for swamp land but not a cent for the city's poor.

A SENSATIONAL ATTEMPT.

Unrequited Love Attributed as the Cause of an Attempted Suicide.

Last evening Frank L. Harvey, 25 years of age, son of a member of the firm of Harvey and Haynes, produce dealers, attempted suicide.

Unrequited love was probably the cause of his rash act.

For some time past Harvey has been paying attention to a young lady on Lane street, and for some reason has been despondent of late.

Last evening he visited his sweetheart's house, appearing very strangely, and acting as if in great distress. After some little questioning, he acknowledged that he had taken chloroform.

Drs. Pinkham and Field were called and they ordered his removal in the ambulance to the city farm, as he was suffering greatly.

Harvey admitted that he intended killing himself on account of his love for the girl, and a razor was found in his pocket, with which he meant to complete his design should the poison fail.

The family of the young lady, were very anxious to keep the affair as quiet as possible, and physicians were instructed to give no particulars for publication.

Do the people want more parks when the charitable of our city are contributing to a bread fund?

PERSONAL.

James Crowley, janitor of the city hall, is confined to his home by sickness.

Mr. Goodwin C. Nash of Harrington, Me., is the guest of Mr. Tarbell of Seventh street.

Councilman-elect Riley of Ward Six is seriously ill in St. John's hospital.

Miss Alice Owens is confined to her home with a severe cold.

OUR THEATRES.

MUSIC HALL.—Thomas and Watson do not find the Christmas buying a great obstacle to good business. Their house was well filled last night and the strong bill of Monday repeated its success. The Bickets alone give an entertainment worth the prices that prevail at this theatre.

OPERA HOUSE.—Stoddard's lecture on "Ceylon and India" tomorrow night.

The holiday attraction of "Little Emily" will, no doubt, be well attended, Christmas. Tickets on sale Friday.

POLICE COURT.

Hadley, J.

Another 15 minutes session.

There were three drunks.

William H. McCarthy was charged with larceny of 116 cabbages worth eight cents each during the early part of November. McCarthy said "I was in the crowd but I didn't take them." His case was continued until December 30.

The continued cases were unimportant.

The Stories Are False.

It was rumored on the street last night that three cotton mills might be shut down in the near future for a few days. Agent Southworth informs THE SUN that the stories are of a fairy nature and have no foundation whatever. He cannot account for the starting of such a story.

Lively Street Scenes.

The crowds on the street yesterday afternoon gave evidence of the near approach of Christmas. At each store window a little gathering paused to inspect the multitude of pretty things which made appropriate Christmas gifts. Shopdealers report trade as being very good considering the hard times. Considerable of the money now expended on Christmas gifts has been hoarded up for some time, and once it gets into circulation it is probable that many of the deserving poor will come in for a small share of it.

LATEST

CARLISLE

He Reports to Congress on State Matters.

RECOMMENDS ISSUANCE OF MILLIONS IN BONDS.

Believes in Ad Valorem Instead of Specific Duties.

By Telegraph to THE SUN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. The report of Secretary Carlisle was sent to Congress this morning. It estimates the revenue to the government for the fiscal year, ending June next at $430,121,000 and the expenditures $458,000,000 or a deficit of nearly $28,000,000.

It states that a lot of Pacific railroad bonds, current 6's will fall due in 1894, aggregating $2,382,000, and congress must take some action to meet them. He would suggest as an emergency that the government issue 3 per cent. five year bonds to be disposed of at the sub-treasury and post offices in order that our own people may take them up. He also favored the issuance of $60,000,000 in one year 3 per cent. bonds at par, and these two issuances to constitute the sole legislation on finances until the disturbance over the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act shall have settled. He also believes in greater use of silver certificates as a purchasing power

He says that he has ordered the mints at New Orleans and San Francisco to be ready to mint standard silver dollars from bullion on hand if they are required.

He favored the ad valorem duty in place of specific duty on imports and recommends higher internal revenues on distilled spirits of 10 per cent. on playing cards, perfumery, cosmetics, and levying taxes on legacies, incomes from inheritances, stock and bonds in manufacturing establishments, and joint stock companies.

Thereport is of considerable length and thoroughly presents the internal situation of our national government.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

IT PASSED THE PARK RESOLUTION FOR $70,000.

No Increase in Salaries for City Officials and Police Officers—Alderman Puffer to a Sinking Fund Commissioner.

The board of aldermen met in regular session last evening and transacted considerable business.

The board placed on file the receipt for $17,000 from the Merrimack company, for the removal of the Moody street tracks.

Melanthon M. Allen was confirmed as a surveyor of lumber.

Several reports, received from the street committee, were ordered to lie in the city clerk's office seven days.

On motion of Alderman Lovejoy, a resolution to pave a portion of Lawrence street was laid on the table.

Looks Like No Increase.

The report of the special committee on salaries was received and accompanying it was a resolution including the recommendation made by the committee.

Alderman Westall presented the resolution containing the present year's changes in salaries and offered it as an amendment to the resolution offered by the committee. The amendment passed, Alderman McDonald, alone, voting in the negative.

Petitions asking for recount of the charter vote all over the city, and the councilmanic vote in ward two and five were received, and it was voted to begin the recount this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The report of the committee on crematory investigation, recommending that the crematory be abolished, and that the swill be sold, was accepted without discussion.

George F. Richardson was confirmed as trustee of the city library, for a term of five years, and Frank B. Dow was confirmed as trustee of the Edson cemetery.

More Land for Fort Hill.

The committee on commons presented a report recommending that the city purchase the land between High and Hanks streets, around Fort Hill park for $70,000 and authorizing the city treasurer to issue bonds on ten years' time at 3½ per cent. interest, to be paid in annual payment of $7,000 each, to be raised by taxation.

Alderman McDonald thought the times were too hard to warrant such an outlay, and believed the purchase of this land uncalled for at the present time.

Alderman S. B. Puffer said the city should be willing to do something to beautify this park. He believed in purchasing all the land offered in the second proposition, but thought the citizens would not approve of such an outlay at present.

Alderman Westall expressed surprise that the committee had not recommended the purchase of the $20,000 lot of land, as it would be a good investment for the city.

Alderman S. B. Puffer moved to amend the resolution prepared by the committee so as to have it include the $20,000 lot of land, but afterward he withdrew his amendment.

The original resolution then passed, Alderman McDonald voting in the negative.

S. B. Puffer Chosen.

A ballot was then taken for a commissioner of sinking funds for three years. The first ballot stood, H. G. Cushing, 5; S. B. Puffer, 4; blanks, 1; the second, S. B. Puffer, 5; H. G. Cushing, 3, and the former was declared elected.

A report was received with an accompanying resolution dividing the city into 29 precincts, as prepared by the assessors, and the special committee appointed for the purpose. The resolution was adopted. Under the new plan the largest precinct in the city will be precinct one of Ward Three with 653 votes; and the smallest, precinct three of Ward Five, with 320 votes.

The board then adjourned.

Sentenced for 25 Years.

By Telegraph to THE SUN.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 20. Conroy, alias McDonald, for murder, was today sentenced to 25 years imprisonment.

What will the council do on the syndicate land scheme.

Our store will be open every evening this week.

Low temperature loses its terror for the man who's been made snug and comfortable in one of our Ulsters.

Lots of warmth and good service in the fluffy Fur Beavers for $8 and $10.

Warmth, good service and all the appearance of the costliest garments in those Putnam Frieze Ulsters for $12.

Not a good thing skipped between these and our Genuine Imported Irish Frieze Ulsters for $25. Marked down from thirty dollars.

The same lavish provision for boys—from warm Fur Beaver Ulsters at $4 to the better ones at $12.

No chance to go astray in trading here—we pay back the money if you wish it.

PUTNAM & SON,

One-Price Clothiers,

Corner of Central and Warren Streets.

GIVEN AWAY

BY THE

New York Cloak and Suit Co.,

8 JOHN STREET.

To make business lively for Christmas week in addition to the immense reductions we have made on our entire stock, we will give free to every purchaser of a garment or cape at $6 and upwards a handsome Gloria Silk Umbrella, with Silver or Dresden Handle, worth $2.

Nothing is more useful or acceptable for a Christmas present than a handsome Garment or Fur Cape.

$20 Monkey Fur Capes for $11.75.
$12 Astrachan Fur Capes for $7.50.
$8.75 French Coney Capes for $5.75
$15 Persian Seal Capes for $9.75.
$1.75 Persian Coney Chokers 98c.
$2.75 French Seal Chokers for $15.
$6 Minx Chokers for $3.50.
$2 White Angora Child's Sets for $1.25.
$12 Cloth Newmarkets for $6.75.
$15 Cloth Newmarkets for $9.50.
$5 Cloth Jackets for $2.75.
$10 Cloth Jackets for $6.75.
$15 Cloth Jackets for $9.75.
$20 Cloth Jackets for $13.50.
$18 Plush Sacques for $9.50.

Our store will be open every evening during this week.

New York Cloak and Suit Company.

A Complimentary Performance.

Through the courtesy of Manager Bascom of the Bijou, a number of newspaper men attended a special performance of Pauline Nann's performing lions yesterday afternoon. One lion and two lionesses entertained. The females were cross and ugly, while the male seemed pleased to see the scribes. None of the newspaper men went into the cage for obvious reasons. From appearances one would imagine, however, that one of the lionesses had become smitten with the Mail's society reporter "Percy." The performance is about the finest ever seen in a popular priced musee. A feature of the exhibition is a large boar horned which goes into the cage and performs with the lions with impunity. Those who have not seen this wonderful exhibition could not invest their money to better advantage in the show line. A good program besides this is given.

Some Pithy Opinions.

Below are given opinions on the Fort Hill park scheme, Mr. J. V. Keyes, says: "In my opinion, I may be wrong, the purchase of that land for $70,000 would be outrageous. There are other ways and better, by which that money can be expended. There are more needed improvements. Fort Hill is not largely patronized by the people for whose use it was intended. Then times are hard, and the people cannot stand too much expense."

James U. Gage: "I am opposed to the purchase of the land at that price, which is exorbitant. We can't afford to borrow that much money with so many poor people needing food and shelter. The bridge across Moody street would be far more advantageous to the public than the extension of the park."

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☞THE SUN is the only penny paper in Lowell receiving cable and telegraphic despatches. Most of the news items in this issue can be found in the other local papers tomorrow, if you are willing to wait till then.

PUBLIC ROBBERY

Plot to Enrich Certain Land Sharks.

THE ALDERMEN IGNORE THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE.

And Vote to Purchase Swamp Park Land.

At a time when the mills are shut down or working on short time, when thousands are out of employment, when the street department is unable to give employment to the idle, when the Church League is aroused and adopts measures for relief, when landlords complain that they do not receive their rent, when the pauper department is over-run with applications for relief, when the spectre of famine is at the doors of hundreds of families in this city, is it not astounding that the board of aldermen has voted to purchase a tract of swamp land as an addition to Fort Hill park.

In the face of the hard times and general distress among the poor people, the aldermen have the audacity to vote for a scheme which has been railroaded through committees by questionable methods and finally voted for by Aldermen Westall, Evans, Choate, F. W. Puffer, S. B. Puffer and Elwyn Lovejoy. To the credit of Alderman McDonald it should be stated that he voted against the swindle. The aldermen oppose the increase of salaries that they might with greater chances of success make a raid on the treasury for the benefit of a land syndicate. This is a conspiracy against the city and not a scheme for the benefit of the people. It is little short of public robbery.

The people voted upon this project a few years ago and defeated it. The syndicate has been trying to work the city council into purchasing the land ever since and has now succeeded so far as the aldermen are concerned. But the matter is to come before the common council, the people's branch of the city government. There is in that body, we believe, a majority that will stand firmly for the people's interest that will stand against looting the treasury for the benefit of land sharks when the city is nearly bankrupt and when thousands are on the verge of destitution.

Every man who votes for this land scheme should be relegated to political oblivion at the first opportunity. In the common council there were men who stood the test and proved loyal to the people; and we still have faith in their honesty and their good judgment. They refused to be bribed last year by liquor licenses, let them if necessary reject the offer of house lots this year, and preserve their reputation for sound democracy as for honesty and integrity without a blemish. If they do this the people will reward them in due time; if they fail in their duty they will go down into ignominious political graves just as soon as their present term of official life shall expire.

A public meeting has been called to devise ways and means of relieving the poor, let another meeting be called to voice the public indignation at this proposed act of public plunder.

Let a public hearing be given by the city council in order that the taxpayers may have an opportunity to voice their indignation at this flagrant attempt to loot the treasury. This is a case in which the true friends of the people can show the stuff they are made of. Do not let a clique of land speculators impose their scheme on the common council? Those who will oppose it will deserve well of their constituents; those who will vote for it will deserve the execration of the people at large.

Tonight the council is called together evidently to act upon this resolution. What action will be taken? We venture to predict that the resolution will be defeated and the men who will defeat it may not have their names written in golden letters over the portals of the new city hall, but they will be written in the hearts of the people.

PRINT CLOTHS SOLD.

BY IT 30,000 OPERATIVES WILL BE BENEFITED.

This Ensures the Running of Fall River Mills All Winter—Sale Was the Largest on Record.

By Telegraph to THE SUN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. The Press says: The details of a transaction which will give prosperity to nearly 25,000 mill hands in Fall River were made public in this city yesterday.

By recent purchase of about 800,000 pieces of print cloths, at a cost of more than $1,000,000, by M. C. D. Borden of Bliss, Fabyan & Co., the overstocked market for print cloths has been relieved; the trade, which had become stagnant, has been given a new lease of life, and the demand for the goods has increased to such an extent that the Fall River mills have received orders which will keep them running through the winter, thus providing for 25,000 mill hands, and in all about 30,000 persons dependent upon the mills for support.

Mr. Borden said yesterday that the purchase, which is one of the largest on record while unusual, considering the state of the trade, was made for business reasons only, and not for political effect or from a philanthropic motive.

The relief that it will bring was a happy phase of the matter, however.

The Park Land Scheme.

Considerable comment is being made on the street today on the action of the board of aldermen in passing the $70,000 park scheme resolution. Business men are looking for a check on the part of the council, tonight.

THE NEEDY

Church League Formulates a Relief Plan.

MINISTRY-AT-LARGE TO BECOME DISTRIBUTING CENTER.

Committee of Seven to Take Charge of the Work.

The Church League met at the call of the executive committee in the Board of Trade rooms last evening. President G. W. Bachelder was in the chair. After prayer by Rev. G. H. Johnson, a report which was as follows, was made by Rev. Frank O. Hall of the First Universalist church:

We find the Ministry-at-Large in possession of a large amount of tabulated information which would be simply invaluable to the Church League in the work of relief which it proposes to undertake. Mr. Wright kindly tenders his office and his services to the League.

We recommend that the Ministry-at-Large be selected as the central office of the Church League, that Mr. Wright be furnished with an assistant, to be paid by the League, and that the work of relief be carried on under the direction of Mr. Wright, should it be approved by the committee of seven.

We recommend that a committee of seven be appointed to carry into execution the plan of relief discussed before the league and referred for action to the executive committee.

We suggest that this committee prepare a circular letter, to be distributed in all the churches of the city, asking the people of these churches to file information as to any small pieces of work they desire to have done.

We have become convinced that a large majority of those persons who apply at the doors of houses for aid are unworthy of such assistance, and we recommend that the people of the city be requested to assist no one at the door, but to refer all cases to the overseers of the poor at city hall or to the Ministry-at-Large.

We find that merchants are willing to furnish the necessities of life to needy people recommended by the agents of the Church League as worthy, at the lowest wholesale price. We recommend that the committee of seven avail themselves of this generosity in behalf of the needy.

We recommend that each church in the league to be requested to appoint a number of ladies to act as friendly visitors to the homes of the poor, and that such be prepared to give not merely food and clothing, but a kind word and a helping hand to such families as the agents of the league say, after investigation, are fit to recommend for such necessities.

We recommend to the committee of seven that they provide or avail themselves of some existing institutions for the temporary housing of worthy men and women who are in need of lodging and protection.

F. O. HALL,
W. H. WIGGIN,
R. A. GREENE.

The committee of seven therein referred to are President Bachelder, W. H. Wiggin, T. H. Elliott, Rev. Dr. Thomas, Rev. F. O. Hall, A. L. Russell and Artemas Tyler. The report was discussed and finally adopted.

Then in behalf of the committee Rev. Dr. Thomas read the following appeal:

To the Public:

Our city shares the general depression. The unemployed are numerous among us. A little help rightly bestowed now will tide over the hard times and prevent pauperism. The churches and charitable societies and individuals are doing much but are not sufficient for the unusual pressure now made for help. The Church League has carefully formulated plans to administer help wisely and economically. It now asks for means to carry on the work. It needs money, cast-off clothing for men, women and children, provisions of every kind and fuel.

We request that in each church a subscription be taken on Christmas Sunday if practicable, or as soon thereafter as possible, for the work of the league.

We request that the churches continue in their work of help.

We request that the churches continue in their work of helping their own people, for such personally bestowed help has been found to be best in its results.

We ask each church to select carefully some two or three discreet persons who will as visitors aid the work of the league if called on so to do.

Let all the charitable join hands with us in this work. Send money or clothing to any member of the committee of seven, or send a postal and you will be called on for your contribution.

A full report of the receipts will be made public.

Do not bestow help on unknown persons who apply at the residence or on the street. Send all who ask help to the members who constitute the committee of seven.

To the churches of Lowell:

There is much want and suffering among the unemployed of the city. The Church League believes it to be the duty of all, without regard to name or creed, so as to relieve this suffering. It is proposed that funds be raised for this purpose, to be expended under the direction of the committee appointed by the Church League. In the furtherance of this plan the Church League invites each church in the city to take a subscription and collection on Christmas Sunday, Dec. 24, or as soon after as practicable. Cards have been prepared and will be furnished and you are requested to fill them out, stating the sum you are willing to give, sign your name and residence, and place in the contribution boxes. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

By vote of Church League, Dec. 19, 1893.

COMMITTEE OF SEVEN.

Rev. Mr. Kennggott in reference to the report asked what provision had been made for the homeless.

Rev. Dr. Thomas said no definite arrangements had been made, and while he had personally investigated Capt. Gardner's mission, and found that it was doing good work in its particular line, it was not practical to have men's and women's apartments in the same building. He would suggest the caring for homeless women in another place. Continuing he spoke of the many applications daily received from men and women for assistance. They do not ask for charity; they want work and will accept food and raiment for compensation.

Dr. Thomas quoted an instance of misdirected charity. It seems that a certain merchant had sent to the ministers of the city blank orders on him for articles of clothing, the orders to be filled for the needy. The firm was obliged to cancel its order for the reason that one pastor had distributed the orders to certain of his parishioners and they had instantly taken advantage of the opportunity. It happened that well-to-do persons were thus made beneficiaries of a firm's generosity.

Dr. Thomas emphasized the statement that the intent of the league was not to feed an army of tramps, to bail out free soup, or to give well-to-do people parlor suites.

Secretary Smith of the Board of Trade made the practical suggestion that where ever possible arrangements be made with boarding house keepers to lodge and feed women, the expense to be borne by the league. This would avoid considerable labor and be the shortest way to accomplish a given object. Mr. Smith stated that the prevailing rate of board and lodging on the corporations was $1.75 per week, outside of a sum per head given by the corporation to the boarding mistress.

Rev. Mr. Thomas inquired if this was as low a rate as could be obtained, and Mr. Smith said he believed it was lower than the league could reach.

Rev. Messrs. Kenngott, Merriam, and Dana were heartily in sympathy with the suggestion on the ground that it would give immediate relief.

Considerable talk which followed during the point was made that the people to be helped want work and not charity, and work should be equally planned by the league, as to how to furnish food.

On the matter of popular subscriptions to be expended by the city treasurer, Rev. Mr. Hall expressed his belief that it was not practical. He inquired what the school children had done in the way of contributing to charitable ends. The Dover street school contributions were cited and a discussion was stopped by the suggestion of President Bachelder that the school board rules might prohibit school collections.

W. H. Wiggin told of his employing men in levelling land and putting up houses just to give them work. Give men work and they will not feel like paupers.

The Central Labor union sent a delegation to confer with the executive committee, and it was reported that the union would like if possible to second the efforts of the league, by seeing that whatever help is given that it goes into proper channels, or as Dr. Thomas expressed it, that those in need get one plateful rather than one person get three platefuls and another none.

Hon. G. A. Marden was called upon to speak on the subject from the editorial point of view, at the suggestion of a clergyman who had inquired what the newspapers would do in the way of assistance.

Mr. Marden's idea was for the churches to get up steam and then for the pastors to present the cause to their people. As a result of his suggestion, a committee, Messrs. Marden, Merriam and Elliott, was appointed to arrange for special church services on next Sunday or sometime thereafter as soon as practicable.

Rev. L. C. Manchester said that the needs of the hour brought together for united action the clergy of the city, and he could promise hearty support on his part.

There was considerable discussion on various matters and then Mrs. Clark spoke in behalf of a home for fallen women. The league then adjourned.

Some Comment.

A gentleman who was present at the meeting said to a SUN reporter "The whole agitation of the Church League has finally reached the point where this matter was ten years ago, namely the Associated Charities. It will be remembered that Rev. Mr. Manchester and Rev. Mr. Duganne worked hard to keep up the Associated Charities; but the Trinitarians thought they were too good for this and so withdrew their support. But now when an emergency is at hand the clergy of the city after beating about in the bush come right to the Ministry-at-Large for help; this is the time when the Associated Charities would have been the distributed center to the worthy poor."

THE SUN HOLDS THAT CITY FUNDS SHOULD NOT BE PAID FOR NEEDLESS PARK LAND WHILE THOUSANDS ARE OUT OF WORK.

REPORTED FORGERY.

WELL KNOWN FRENCH CANADIAN SAID TO HAVE SKIPPED.

Rumored That He Forged a Check to Meet a Promissory Note Held by a National Bank.

It is reported on the street today that a well known French Canadian who does some legal business together with other business, is missing and that he has forged a check exceeding $200. The merchants who suffer by the alleged forgery are said to be Mr. Landry and Mr. Joseph Marin of Merrimack street.

It is learned that the alleged forgery was to meet a promissory note held by a Merrimack street bank for collection, and the check was upon another bank.

The young man was seen on Thursday last and even his intimate friends say that he has left town.

This noon it was stated that whatever trouble there was will soon be settled.

Communications are invited on the Fort Hill park steal.

REV. MICHAEL O'BRIEN.

Figures in a Lively Runaway Mix Up Yesterday Afternoon.

Merrimack street yesterday afternoon was the scene of an intensely exciting runaway. Rev. Michael O'Brien and his driver were coming across Central bridge when the sleigh overturned, tipping the occupants out gently.

The animal then started to run away with the overturned sleigh, and when it had reached Merrimack street it had parted with all but one shaft, with which it continued up Merrimack street.

The runaway reached John street just as W. H. Parker's sleigh, drawn by a fine pair of horses, was head-d across the street. The pedestrians yelled to the driver to "look out," until it was too late. The runaway instead of turning out for the sleigh increased its speed and made a flying jump over the obstruction between the horses and the dasher. It cleared it all, but its hind feet struck the pole of Mr. Parker's sleigh and the anima struck the ground on its head, turning a complete somersault. Bystanders then held the animal.

Mr. Parker's horses did not attempt to run. Mrs. Comber, a neice of Mrs. Parker, was in the sleigh, but escaped unhurt, the only damage sustained by Mr. Parker's sleigh being a broken pole. Fr. O'Brien received no injury and was driven home by Dr. Lathrop.

Whose votes elected the men who have voted for a $70,000 park purchase? The same men who to-day are looking for work.

Express your opinion on the Fort Hill park scheme.

STRIKE ENDED

Olneyville Operatives Are Now At Work.

LONG STRUGGLE OF OVER TEN WEEKS' DURATION.

Agreement Reached and Accepted Last Night

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 20.—With the setting of the sun last evening the long strike in the woolen mill district was brought to an end, and there was general rejoicing. It not only saw the Olneyville strike, but the difficulty at the British hosiery, the Thornton and at Farwell's Central Falls mills satisfactorily adjusted. This left but one mill in Providence where any trouble prevailed, that being the Geneva, and that trouble was adjusted this morning.

The Olneyville woolen mill strike has been the largest and most bitterly fought that has ever taken place in this state. It was inaugurated early in October when the mill owners put into effect a heavy reduction in salaries. On more than a dozen occasions it seemed like a settlement being reached, but each time some obstacle turned up and the strike went on.

Success at Last.

The business men, the clergy, the city officials and the governor were in turn appealed to and endeavored to bring about a satisfactory adjustment, but until yesterday they met with no success.

The Saxon mill operatives were the first to accept the schedule, then Messrs. Fletcher and Farwell of the Providence National and Saranac mills presented revised schedules, which were accepted by the operatives, but then the two mill owners would not start their mills until such time as the owners of the Weybosset and Riverside mills agreed to pay a schedule similar to that which they had submitted.

The Weybosset mills swung into line Monday by agreeing to adopt the Fletcher-Farwell schedule, adding to their concessions yesterday noon by agreeing that the "scab" help who had been recently employed should not be given preference over the strikers. This left only the Riverside mills as the stumbling block.

Five Thousand Were Waiting.

It was noon when the executive committee waited upon Treasurer King of the Riverside mills, and five thousand people waited in Olneyville square to hear the result. When the committee announced that Mr. King had come to terms, agreeing to adopt the Fletcher schedule as a basis of settlement, the operatives went wild with joy.

The compromise means that 6 1-2 per cent was taken from the original reduction of the weavers. The worsted mule spinners had their reduction reduced from 15 per cent to 10 per cent, and the woolen mule spinners received a similar concession. The drawing-in hands had their pay fixed at 17 1-2 cents per 1000 threads. Young operatives earning $3 and $3.50 a week, who had been cut down 10 per cent, had their reduction reduced to 5 per cent.

Will Be Paid Saturday.

The executive committee received communications from mill owners announcing that they have agreed to pay on Saturday what is earned by the operatives this week, and operations were resumed this morning.

It is estimated that the strike has cost the help $350,000 in salaries, and the business men of the district $300,000 more.

About $10,000 in contributions has been received by operatives from various sources since the strike went into effect. The Wanskuck mills, it is expected, will be started the coming week. These mills shut down just before the strike.

Students Threaten Revenge.

EXETER, N. H., Dec. 20.—From present indications there will be considerable trouble at Exeter academy before the tumult over the recent escapade of the students who posted lithographs in the school is settled. Threatening letters have been sent to several citizens who have become mixed up in the affair, and some of them are warned that the students will seek revenge if the names of those who took part in the bill posting are disclosed.

Charged With Manslaughter.

ORANGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—Charles Saunders and William Thompson, the tramps who were with Patrick Hayes the night before he was found dead near Miller's Falls on Sunday, were held in $5000 each changed with manslaughter. Two others of the party were held in $200 as witnesses.

A Tennessee Verdict.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Dec. 20.—At the inquest of the bodies of Walter Shannon and Mrs. Ann Davis, found murdered in bed, Matt Davis, husband of the woman, acknowledged that he killed them, and the jury justified him, under the circumstances, in doing so. He was released.

Body Blown to Atoms.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 20.—One of the powder mills at the Dupont powder works exploded yesterday. Just before the explosion eight workmen left the building. Edward Gallagher was the only person near the mill, and his body was blown almost to atoms.

The Beta Colbath Disabled.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 20.—The schooner Beta Colbath, from Machias to Boston, with lumber, was driven ashore on the rocks near Spring Point ledge while trying to avoid an unknown schooner. She lost four feet of her stern and rudder.

Assets Are Ample.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 20.—The banking firm of Joseph Steiner & Sons, also Steiner Bros. & Co., at Greenville, have made an assignment without preference. Liabilities, $150,000; assets valued at about $750,000.

IN CONGRESS.

Urgent Deficiency Bill Passed After a Lively Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The house was in an ugly frame of mind all day. The Republicans were in a fighting temper over the Hawaiian situation when the house met, and the row opened immediately. Mr. Cockran's resolution was presented and hurriedly referred to the committee on rules. Then came a sharp skirmish over the Boutelle resolution.

Finally the consideration of the urgent deficiency bill was resumed and some very exciting scenes were enacted before it was finally passed. The item appropriating $200,000 for special examiners was amended so as to prevent the suspension of any pensions without giving the pensioners notice or opportunity to furnish testimony in rebuttal. Ten amendments were also adopted appropriating $180,000 for extra mileage for members and senators, $46,000 for stationery and about $25,000 to pay employes of the house and senate an extra month's pay.

The most bitter opposition existed to each of these propositions, the first of which was denominated on the floor as a proceeding whose scandalous character had not been approached since the days of the famous salary grab. Intense excitement prevailed throughout the discussion. The highest number of votes the minority was able to muster on any motion was 20. Filibustering occupied a great portion of the time.

It was expected that Senator Hoar would open the ball on the president's Hawaiian message, but as Senator Berry desired to speak on the elections bill the Massachusetts senator decided to defer his remarks. He will severely arraign the president in his dealing with the Hawaiian complications.

A Brave Woman.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 20.—Lacy Blackman ventured too far on Berkshire pond and broke through. A. E. Culver went to his assistance, and he, too, broke through. T. W. Joyce attempted a rescue, when he also went into the water. A crowd was watching the three men struggling for their lives, when Miss Annie D. Hallock, a young and pretty teacher, ran up, and, throwing herself flat upon the ice, shouted to the bystanders to fall down also and hold her by the ankles. In this manner she drew the men back to firm ice, one at a time. Miss Hallock was half drowned herself, as the thin ice kept breaking under her, letting her down into the water.

Dole Declines.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Replying to the offer of a company which was organized here to go to Honolulu and fight for the provisional government President Dole declines the profferred assistance.

Queen Empress Goes Home.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The locomotive, Queen Empress, which was exhibited at the World's fair, is on board the steamship Runic, which started on her voyage to England yesterday.

Guilty of Manslaughter.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—S. W. Bryant, colored, pleaded "guilty" to the charge of manslaughter in causing the death of James A. Sullivan, Nov. 28 last. Next Tuesday he will be sentenced.

Olney Won't Resign.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Attorney General Olney authorizes the statement that reports of his resigning from the cabinet are without foundation.

Is Mello's Friend.

ANTWERP, Dec. 20.—Dr. L. Pires Garcia, consul general of Brazil at this city, has been recalled by President Peixoto because he is a relative and admirer of Admiral Mello.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Girard P. Dadman wants to succeed C. H. McIntire as registrar of voters.

It is quite probable that $1100 will be realized by the recent firemen's ball.

John B. Coleman, our well known citizen, is dangerously ill at his home.

The recount of the charter vote will be continued at 3.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Charley Mitchell offers to give $10,000 to the poor if he wins his fight with Corbett.

The Y. M. C. A. gym has secured the services of a physician as a medical examiner.

The street committee and the committee on fire department will meet this afternoon.

Dame Rumor has it that Mayor Pickman intends to nominate Simon B. Harris for assistant assessor in Ward Four to succeed C. Arthur Abbott.

Gov.-elect Greenhalge made the principal address at the gathering of the Unitarians at Salem last night. Rev. George Bachelor also spoke.

This forenoon on Central street a number of sleighs were overturned by coming in contact with car tracks. There were no runaways fortunately.

The story of a shut down over the holidays of the Arlington mills at Lawrence, may have been the reason for rumors of similar action with Lowell mills. Happily there is no foundation for the story affecting Lowell mills.

George F. Stiles & Co., auctioneers, will sell at public auction on Saturday, December 23, at 11 o'clock a. m., at the Palace Pharmacy, so called, on Prescott street, all the stock of goods and fixtures included or named in a certain mortgage given by Joseph W. Moison to Cutter Bros. & Co. Said stock and fixtures to be sold in one lot for cash. Per order of Cutter Bros. & Co., mortgagees.

J. E. Conant & Co., have a positive and absolute sale by public auction of a large lot of new furniture at the store of Victor Pihl, 321 Central street, Lowell, or next to Fay Bros. & Co.'s carriage repository. Tomorrow, promptly at 10.30 o'clock a. m., and without limit or reserve of any kind whatsoever, will be sold to the highest bidders, no matter what the bids, over $2000 worth of parlor sets, chamber sets, sitting room and dining room furniture, lounges and bed lounges; parlor and library tables; hall stands, book cases and writing desks; corner cabinets, easy chairs; in fact a splendid lot, and good furniture in great variety. Terms cash. Sale rain or shine. Victor Pihl.

NO MONEY FOR PARK LAND WHILE THE HUNDREDS ARE DESTITUTE.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral of Michael Rourk took place this morning from the Immaculate Conception church and was well attended. Requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Wade Smith, O. M. I., and the regular choir of the church assisted. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Frances Murphy occurred from her late residence, 93 Suffolk street, and was attended by a number of friends and relatives. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery.

What is the public opinion on the land scheme? A luxury or a necessity?

DEATHS.

Grace A. Speirs, daughter of Robert L. and Maggie F. Speirs, died yesterday at the age of 3 years, 4 months, 14 days.

Ellen Blessington, aged 35 years, died this morning at her home, 465 Market street. Deceased was the wife of Thomas J. Blessington.

McManmon florist, Prescott & Merr'k sts.

MONEY FOR THE PEOPLE UNEMPLOYED BUT NOT FOR A COTERIE OF LAND SHARKS.

Marriage Intentions.

The following intentions were recorded at the city clerk's office today:

Ludger Teillier 20, to Rosie Collins 18.
Frank M. Brudon 23, to Eva M. Pinkham 18.

RELIEF SUNDAY

Immediate Movement in Behalf of the Poor.

CHURCH LEAGUE'S COMMITTEE APPEALS FOR $15,000.

Great Mass Meeting Arranged for Sunday.

The committee of three for "immediate action" appointed by the Church League last night has already decided upon a plan of action.

"Relief Sunday" is the designation fixed upon, and it is expected that each pastor will do his best to get out the largest meeting and secure the largest contribution possible. He will be looked to to furnish to the people assembled a statement of the sore needs which call for such a demonstration, an outline of just what the League proposes to do and how it proposes to do it, and why the League exists, and he is further expected to devise all sorts of means for getting out a crowd, and for making the meeting lively, interesting and successful in the purpose whereunto it was ordained. There should be good speaking, good music, and the liveliest sort of a time. And what each church proposes to do, will be in all the Saturday papers.

"Relief" Sunday knows no sect, no creed, no party. It has to do with every worthy man, woman and child, whom the present business depression has left unable, for the time being, to care for himself or herself. To assist them—to keep men, women and children from being unhoused because they cannot pay rent, or going hungry because they have no work, or been inadequately clothed and warmed because they have no income—all this demands money. The hunger, the cold, the nakedness exist now. The relief is needed NOW. Suffering men, women and children cannot wait any red tape delays, or dilatory motions. "He gives twice who gives quickly."

Mass Meeting in Huntington Hall.

Other cities are holding mass meetings to aid in the same cause and it has been determined to call such a meeting for 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Huntington hall in addition to the church meeting. Gov.-elect Greenhalge is expected to preside and a distinguished orator from another city is expected to be present. The details of the meeting are not yet fully arranged, but they will be duly announced. Prominent business men will take part, and a large sum of money will be raised.

Thousands for the syndicate to pay for swamp land but not a cent for the city's poor.

A SENSATIONAL ATTEMPT.

Unrequited Love Attributed as the Cause of an Attempted Suicide.

Last evening Frank L. Harvey, 25 years of age, son of a member of the firm of Harvey and Haynes, produce dealers, attempted suicide.

Unrequited love was probably the cause of his rash act.

For some time past Harvey has been paying attention to a young lady on Lane street, and for some reason has been despondent of late.

Last evening he visited his sweetheart's house, appearing very strangely, and acting as if in great distress. After some little questioning, he acknowledged that he had taken chloroform.

Drs. Pinkham and Field were called and they ordered his removal in the ambulance to the city farm, as he was suffering greatly.

Harvey admitted that he intended killing himself on account of his love for the girl, and a razor was found in his pocket, with which he meant to complete his design should the poison fail.

The family of the young lady, were very anxious to keep the affair as quiet as possible, and physicians were instructed to give no particulars for publication.

Do the people want more parks when the charitable of our city are contributing to a bread fund?

PERSONAL.

James Crowley, janitor of the city hall, is confined to his home by sickness.

Mr. Goodwin C. Nash of Harrington, Me., is the guest of Mr. Tarbell of Seventh street.

Councilman-elect Riley of Ward Six is seriously ill in St. John's hospital.

Miss Alice Owens is confined to her home with a severe cold.

OUR THEATRES.

MUSIC HALL.—Thomas and Watson do not find the Christmas buying a great obstacle to good business. Their house was well filled last night and the strong bill of Monday repeated its success. The Bickets alone give an entertainment worth the prices that prevail at this theatre.

OPERA HOUSE.—Stoddard's lecture on "Ceylon and India" tomorrow night.

The holiday attraction of "Little Emily" will, no doubt, be well attended, Christmas. Tickets on sale Friday.

POLICE COURT.

Hadley, J.

Another 15 minutes session.
There were three drunks.

William H. McCarthy was charged with larceny of 116 cabbages worth eight cents each during the early part of November. McCarthy said "I was in the crowd but I didn't take them." His case was continued until December 30.

The continued cases were unimportant.

The Stories Are False.

It was rumored on the street last night that three cotton mills might be shut down in the near future for a few days. Agent Southworth informs THE SUN that the stories are of a fairy nature and have no no foundation whatever. He cannot account for the starting of such a story.

Lively Street Scenes.

The crowds on the street yesterday afternoon gave evidence of the near approach of Christmas. At each store window a little gathering paused to inspect the multitude of pretty things which made appropriate Christmas gifts. Shopdealers report trade as being very good considering the hard times. Considerable of the money now expended on Christmas gifts has been hoarded up for some time, and once it gets into circulation it is probable that many of the deserving poor will come in for a small share of it.

LATEST

CARLISLE

He Reports to Congress on State Matters.

RECOMMENDS ISSUANCE OF MILLIONS IN BONDS.

Believes in Ad Valorem Instead of Specific Duties.

By Telegraph to THE SUN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. The report of Secretary Carlisle was sent to Congress this morning. It estimates the revenue to the government for the fiscal year, ending June next at $430,121,000; and the expenditures $458,000,000 or a deficit of nearly $28,000,000.

It states that a lot of Pacific railroad bonds, current 6's will fall due in 1894, aggregating $2,382,000, and congress must take some action to meet them. He would suggest as an emergency that the government issue 3 per cent. five year bonds to be disposed of at the sub-treasury and post offices in order that our own people may take them up. He also favored the issuance of $50,000,000 in one year 3 per cent. bonds at par, and these two issuances to constitute the sole legislation on finances until the disturbance over the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act shall have settled. He also believes in greater use of silver certificates as a purchasing power.

He says that he has ordered the mints at New Orleans and San Francisco to be ready to mint standard silver dollars from bullion on hand if they are required.

He favored the ad valorem duty in place of specific duty on imports and recommends higher internal revenues on distilled spirits of 10 per cent. on playing cards, perfumery, cosmetics, and levying taxes on legacies, incomes from inheritances, stock and bonds in manufacturing establishments, and joint stock companies.

Thereport is of considerable length and thoroughly presents the internal situation of our national government.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

IT PASSED THE PARK RESOLUTION FOR $70,000.

No Increase in Salaries for City Officials and Police Officers—Alderman Puffer to a Sinking Fund Commissioner.

The board of aldermen met in regular session last evening and transacted considerable business.

The board placed on file the receipt for $17,000 from the Merrimack company, for the removal of the Moody street tracks. Melanthon M. Allen was confirmed as a surveyor of lumber.

Several reports, received from the street committee, were ordered to lie in the city clerk's office seven days.

On motion of Alderman Lovejoy, a resolution to pave a portion of Lawrence street was laid on the table.

Looks Like No Increase.

The report of the special committee on salaries was received and accompanying it was a resolution including the recommendation made by the committee.

Alderman Westall presented the resolution containing the present year's changes in salaries and offered it as an amendment to the resolution offered by the committee. The amendment passed, Alderman McDonald, alone, voting in the negative.

Petitions asking for recount of the charter vote all over the city, and the councilmanic vote in ward two and five were received, and it was voted to begin the recount this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The report of the committee on crematory investigation, recommending that the crematory be abolished, and that the swill be sold, was accepted without discussion.

George F. Richardson was confirmed as trustee of the city library, for a term of five years, and Frank B. Dow was confirmed as trustee of the Edson cemetery.

More Land for Fort Hill.

The committee on commons presented a report recommending that the city purchase the land between High and Hanks streets, around Fort Hill park for $70,000 and authorizing the city treasurer to issue bonds on ten years' time at 3½ per cent. interest, to be paid in annual payment of $7,000 each, to be raised by taxation.

Alderman McDonald thought the times were too hard to warrant such an outlay, and believed the purchase of this land uncalled for at the present time.

Alderman S. B. Puffer said the city should be willing to do something to beautify this park. He believed in purchasing all the land offered in the second proposition, but thought the citizens would not approve of such an outlay at present.

Alderman Westall expressed surprise that the committee had not recommended the purchase of the $20,000 lot of land, as it would be a good investment for the city.

Alderman S. B. Puffer moved to amend the resolution prepared by the committee so as to have it include the $20,000 lot of land, but afterward he withdrew his amendment.

The original resolution then passed, Alderman McDonald voting in the negative.

S. B. Puffer Chosen.

A ballot was then taken for a commissioner of sinking funds for three years. The first ballot stood, H. G. Cushing, 6; S. B. Puffer, 4; blanks, 1; the second, S. B. Puffer, 5; H. G. Cushing, 3, and the former was declared elected.

A report was received with an accompanying resolution dividing the city into 29 precincts, as prepared by the assessors, and the special committee appointed for the purpose. The resolution was adopted. Under the new plan the largest precinct in the city will be precinct one of Ward Three with 653 votes; and the smallest, precinct three of Ward Five, with 320 votes.

The board then adjourned.

Sentenced for 25 Years.

By Telegraph to THE SUN.

BENNINGTON, Vt., Dec. 20. Conroy, alias McDonald, for murder, was today sentenced to 25 years imprisonment.

What will the council do on the syndicate land scheme.

Our store will be open every evening this week.

Low temperature loses its terror for the man who's been made snug and comfortable in one of our Ulsters.

Lots of warmth and good service in the fluffy Fur Beavers for $8 and $10.

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$12 Astrachan Fur Capes for $7.50.
$8.75 French Coney Capes for $5.75
$15 Persian Seal Capes for $9.75.
$1.75 Persian Coney Chokers 98c.
$2.75 French Seal Chokers for $15.
$6 Minx Chokers for $3.50.
$2 White Angora Child's Sets for $1.25.
$12 Cloth Newmarkets for $6.75.
$15 Cloth Newmarkets for $9.50.
$5 Cloth Jackets for $2.75.
$10 Cloth Jackets for $6.75.
$15 Cloth Jackets for $9.75.
$20 Cloth Jackets for $13.50.
$18 Plush Sacques for $9.50.

Our store will be open every evening during this week.

New York Cloak and Suit Company.

A Complimentary Performance.

Through the courtesy of Manager Bascom of the Bijou, a number of newspaper men attended a special performance of Pauline Nana's performing lions yesterday afternoon. One lion and two lionesses entertained. The females were cross and ugly, while the male seemed pleased to see the scribes. None of the newspaper men went into the cage for obvious reasons. From appearances one would imagine, however, that one of the lionesses had become smitten with the Mail's society reporter "Percy." The performance is about the finest ever seen in a popular priced music. A feature of the exhibition is a large boar horned which goes into the cage and performs with the lions with impunity. Those who have not seen this wonderful exhibition could not invest their money to better advantage in the show line. A good program besides this is given.

Some Pithy Opinions.

Below are given opinions on the Fort Hill park scheme, Mr. J. V. Keyes, says: "In my opinion, I may be wrong, the purchase of that land for $70,000 would be outrageous. There are other ways and better, by which that money can be expended. There are more needed improvements. Fort Hill is not largely patronized by the people for whose use it was intended. Then times are hard, and the people cannot stand too much expense."

James U. Gage: "I am opposed to the purchase of the land at that price, which is exorbitant. We can't afford to borrow that much money with so many poor people needing food and shelter. The bridge across Moody street would be far more advantageous to the public than the extension of the park."

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THIS IS Christmas week the time when the stores expect the greatest rush.

THE NEXT legislature should secure the removal of the present limit in the license law so that the politics of the state may not be so corrupted by license trades.

THE PROGRAMME outlined for the dedication of the new high school is a good one and if carried out will give satisfaction to all sections of the community.

THE CHURCHES, the labor unions and other charitable organizations are beginning to move in the matter of relieving the poor who are out of work and in want.

THE RAZOR makers of Worcester have sent a sharp protest to Washington against the proposed reduction of the tariff on razors. They want no shaving of the razor tariff.

WHETHER THE republicans can oust the democratic officials from city hall or hold their republican friends in office depends upon the loyalty of the democratic members of the city council.

U. S. Senator Hill expects that the Wilson tariff bill will meet considerable opposition even from democrats. The bill will undoubtedly be slightly modified, but there is danger that it will be defeated.

ANARCHISTS SHOULD be allowed to exist in this country only behind prison bars. The mere admission that they are such is an acknowledgment of treason to the government. In all monarchial countries the punishment of treason is death. In America it should be sufficiently severe to stamp out the evil.

THE PRESIDENT'S message upon Hawaiian affairs amply justifies his action in the premises and shows that the provisional government was recognized by the United States minister as soon as it was formed and that Queen Lil. was practically deposed by United States forces. The United States government has become embroiled in the matter, because of Minister Stevens' desire to have the islands annexed.

THE FRENCH citizens, both republicans and democrats, are to come together to consider what course they had better adopt in view of the fact that an organization exists for the avowed purpose of keeping them and their co-religionists out of public office and, therefore, without a representation in the city council. They probably think it is about time to take steps for defending their rights.

"The Lowell board of health is reported to have decided not to enforce the laws in regard to vaccination until small pox has made its appearance. If the report is true, it would seem that the inoculation of a little common sense wouldn't do the Lowell board of health any harm."—Lawrence Tribune.

THE TRIBUNE may not be aware that repeated vaccination of Tim O'Rous, who is a member of the board, has only had the effect of adding to his lack of common sense, and of giving him a sort of botanical mania. This may explain why the board has not ordered general vaccination in view of the small pox scare.

THE ADMISSION of Utah, Arizona and New Mexico to statehood will probably give the democratic party six additional votes in the senate, and ensure its ascendancy in that branch of congress for some years. These territories have been discriminated against by the republican administrations which raised other territories less populous and progressive to statehood merely to secure additional political power. But the new states so admitted have now deserted the republicans. The states mentioned will appreciate this act of justice coming from the democratic party.

WORTHY EXAMPLE.

The mayor and city clerk of Fall River have set a worthy example to officials of other cities in refusing to have their salaries raised. The aldermen of Fall River receive $300 per annum and they refused to have it doubled on account of the hard times. This is generosity worthy emulation by city officials wherever there are heavy drains upon the treasury or wherever the condition of the poor demands relief.

DOLLAR GAS.

For some months past THE SUN has been agitating for a reduction in the price of gas and now the reduction asked has been granted. There were good reasons for asking this reduction and they were all plainly stated by THE SUN. The directors of the Gas company were convinced that THE SUN'S arguments were sound and that the time had come when the price should be reduced. The company found that their profits were sufficient to warrant the reduction and in the face of a threat that another gas company or a municipal lighting plant might be established, the directors of the Lowell Gas company wisely decided to grant the reduction. This will be a great benefit to the city, being about ten per cent. The reduction will be appreciated by those who use this illuminant to any great extent and with it the public will also appreciate the efforts of THE SUN by which the reduction was secured. THE SUN has now to thank the Gas company for its promptness in making the reduction and to offer its congratulations to the company on this speedy response to public sentiment as voiced by THE SUN.

FORT HILL PARK SWINDLE.

The scheme to have the city purchase the Fort Hill park land for the benefit of a syndicate should be opposed by every member of the city council, every newspaper in the city and every tax payer. It is being carried on by a system of lobbying with the committee on commons and other members of the city council. It is now taken up by this committee and recommended in order that it may be passed or else laid over to await the action of next year's city council in which the syndicate may have more of a pull. To vote to authorize the purchase of this land at the price offered or even at half the price offered would be little less than political suicide for every official implicated in the deal. It would drive out of politics every official from the mayor down to the last councilman who would give his sanction to such a swindle.

The people are watching the course of this project and THE SUN will keep the public posted upon its phases until it be finally abandoned. That matter was submitted to the people and defeated. The city council should not go against the will of the people to accommodate a clique of speculators. The aldermen have passed the resolution to purchase this land, but it remains to be seen whether the council will be equally faithless to the interests of the city.

CURRENT CLIPPINGS.

Mr. Comfort Gives the Burglar Enough Rope, and He Hangs Himself.

"Silas!" whispered Mrs. Comfort to me the other night as she dug her elbow into my ribs, "are you awake?"

"I wasn't a minute ago, but as you have succeeded in arousing me what is it you wish to observe?"

"Just listen to that noise!"

"I hear it."

"But what is it?"

"Without having investigated the subject, I should say the noise was caused by a rat knawing at the woodwork under the lavatory. Should I get out of bed and go prying about, I might find that it was Smith's goat housing around the garbage can in the back yard. In either case we have nothing to do with it. If a rat, he will gnaw his way through to find that he is worse off than before. If it is the goat, he will probably get choked to death on fishbones."

"Are you going to get up, Mr. Comfort?"

"Certainly not."

"Then I will!"

And she not only did, but raised the window and saw a man in the back yard and came back to bed to whisper to me:

"Silas, do you want to be murdered in your bed?"

"Why, it might as well be in bed as on the stairs, down cellar or on the front steps."

"But aren't you going to scare the man away?"

"No, dear. In the first place, he may not be one of the scary kind, and in the next his object in coming into the yard was probably to steal that old harness hanging on the fence. Let him have it. It may not only encourage him to steal a horse and buggy to go with it, but will save me from dragging the old rubbish out into the alley. Come to bed, Mrs. Comfort. If the man discovers that he is being watched, he may walk off with the snow shovel instead of the harness."

Mrs. Comfort growled and kicked and called me cold blooded, and declared that I wanted to get her murdered, and for five long hours she did not shut her eyes in sleep. The man not only took the old harness, but at once felt that he must steal a horse to match it. In stealing the horse he was caught, and got five years in prison, and thus another bad man was removed from society.

"Didn't I tell you?" says I to Mrs. Comfort when I heard the news, but she looked at me with a freezing expression and wouldn't say a word.—Detroit Free Press.

What He Had.

The New York youth was doing the west, and the first night he pulled up in a rough town and stopped at a rougher tavern, with a retired cowboy for a waiter. At the supper table the easterner was quite elaborate.

"Bring me," he said to the waiter, "a rare steak with mushrooms."

"Ain't got it," replied the waiter promptly.

"Well, bring me a muttonchop done to a turn."

"Ain't got it," came back the first answer.

The easterner showed his annoyance.

"Bring me a broiled chicken on toast," he said, severely.

"Ain't got it," came the same old answer.

"Indeed?" very ironically. "Suppose you bring me a bit of boiled ham."

"Ain't got it," said the cowboy.

"You haven't?" and this time the New Yorker was reckless. "Well, what in thunder have you got?"

"Got a notion to punch you one in the jaw for bein a dude," replied the waiter in the same tone as before. "Have a slug of salt pork and a skinned pertater." And the easterner took that.—Exchange.

How She Learned.

Miss Beautie—What a perfect specimen of Ionian architecture!

Adorer (an architect)—Indeed it is, and I am delighted to find that you know so much about architecture.

Small Brother—Oh, you ain't the first architect sister has been engaged to.—Good News.

SUNBEAMS.

She—All of which only convinces me that you married me for my money.

He—Well, it may not seem probable, but I honestly loved you.—Life.

A Proper Introduction.

"What is your line of business?" whispered the editor to a man he was about to introduce to northern capitalists.

"I hyttis furniture," huskily came the reply.

"Here, gentlemen," continued the editor, "is Mr. Jones, one of the moving spirits of our city."—Atlanta Constitution.

Music Defined.

A Hindoostani work on music says that "music is the painfully acquired art of speaking very loud in a shrill voice." How would Hindoostani define a hand organ?—Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle.

Money an Equalizer.

When you can buy a barrel of oranges as cheap as a barrel of apples you then know how much you liked the apples.—Cincinnati Tribune.

Only One.

Mickey Branigan says that his wife has only one fault. She will swear when she's drunk.—Life.

No Doubt of It.

"They may talk all they please about the indifference of those who labor, but there's at least one class of men who put a great deal of heart in their work."

"Who are they?"

"The fellows who make sentimental valentines."—Buffalo Courier.

Don't Mention It.

Jorkins (after tripping over a projecting foot in a street car)—Did I hurt your corns?

Writhing Passenger—You did.

Jorkins (quietly)—I am so glad.—Truth.

Not Well Informed.

A Delaware judge has decided that a razor is not a deadly weapon. It is quite plain that this particular jurist never attended the forcible adjournment of an overheated cakewalk.—Washington Post.

Reversing the Rule.

Two armed men entered a Chicago club and captured $400 from 16 poker players on Wednesday morning. This is a case where a pair beats a full house.—New York World.

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The severe, stormy weather of the past week or two has caused an epidemic of rheumatic troubles in this vicinity. Hundreds who are afflicted with this severe and painful malady, will find the following statement of especial interest. Mrs. Carroll F. Edgecome of Tewksbury Centre, says: "I've been troubled with rheumatism since last August. The attacks were so severe as to lay me up for days and weeks at a time. I was unable to attend to any of my household work. There were acute pains all through my limbs and hands. I could scarcely walk and it was utterly impossible for me to get up stairs. My knees, feet and hands were badly swollen and my suffering became unbearable. Every slight change in the weather affected me. I treated for it with different doctors and used patent medicines, but failed to get relief. A short time ago I was placed under the treatment of Drs. Pearson and Carroll and have improved steadily ever since. The rheumatism has left me entirely and I feel well. I do all my housework with ease. Certainly my cure is remarkable and I have reason to feel grateful to the doctors."

KIDNEY DISEASES CURED.

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THIS IS Christmas week the time when the stores expect the greatest rush.

THE NEXT legislature should secure the removal of the present limit in the license law so that the politics of the state may not be so corrupted by license trades.

THE PROGRAMME outlined for the dedication of the new high school is a good one and if carried out will give satisfaction to all sections of the community.

THE CHURCHES, the labor unions and other charitable organizations are beginning to move in the matter of relieving the poor who are out of work and in want.

THE RAZOR makers of Worcester have sent a sharp protest to Washington against the proposed reduction of the tariff on razors. They want no shaving of the razor tariff.

WHETHER THE republicans can oust the democratic officials from city hall or hold their republican friends in office depends upon the loyalty of the democratic members of the city council.

U. S. Senator Hill expects that the Wilson tariff bill will meet considerable opposition even from democrats. The bill will undoubtedly be slightly modified, but there is danger that it will be defeated.

ANARCHISTS SHOULD be allowed to exist in this country only behind prison bars. The mere admission that they are such is an acknowledgment of treason to the government. In all monarchial countries the punishment of treason is death. In America it should be sufficiently severe to stamp out the evil.

THE PRESIDENT'S message upon Hawaiian affairs amply justifies his action in the premises and shows that the provisional government was recognized by the United States minister as soon as it was formed and that Queen Lil. was practically deposed by United States forces. The United States government has become embroiled in the matter, because of Minister Stevens' desire to have the islands annexed.

THE FRENCH citizens, both republicans and democrats, are to come together to consider what course they had better adopt in view of the fact that an organization exists for the avowed purpose of keeping them and their co-religionists out of public office and, therefore, without a representation in the city council. They probably think it is about time to take steps for defending their rights.

"The Lowell board of health is reported to have decided not to enforce the laws in regard to vaccination until small pox has made its appearance. If the report is true, it would seem that the inoculation of a little common sense wouldn't do the Lowell board of health any harm."—Lawrence Tribune.

THE TRIBUNE may not be aware that repeated vaccination of Tim O'Rous, who is a member of the board, has only had the effect of adding to his lack of common sense, and of giving him a sort of botanical mania. This may explain why the board has not ordered general vaccination in view of the small pox scare.

THE ADMISSION of Utah, Arizona and New Mexico to statehood will probably give the democratic party six additional votes in the senate, and ensure its ascendancy in that branch of congress for some years. These territories have been discriminated against by the republican administrations which raised other territories less populous and progressive to statehood merely to secure additional political power. But the new states so admitted have now deserted the republicans. The states mentioned will appreciate this act of justice coming from the democratic party.

WORTHY EXAMPLE.

The mayor and city clerk of Fall River have set a worthy example to officials of other cities in refusing to have their salaries raised. The aldermen of Fall River receive $300 per annum and they refused to have it doubled on account of the hard times. This is generosity worthy emulation by city officials wherever there are heavy drains upon the treasury or wherever the condition of the poor demands relief.

DOLLAR GAS.

For some months past THE SUN has been agitating for a reduction in the price of gas and now the reduction asked has been granted. There were good reasons for asking this reduction and they were all plainly stated by THE SUN. The directors of the Gas company were convinced that THE SUN'S arguments were sound and that the time had come when the price should be reduced. The company found that their profits were sufficient to warrant the reduction and in the face of a threat that another gas company or a municipal lighting plant might be established, the directors of the Lowell Gas company wisely decided to grant the reduction. This will be a great benefit to the city, being about ten per cent. The reduction will be appreciated by those who use this illuminant to any great extent and with it the public will also appreciate the efforts of THE SUN by which the reduction was secured. THE SUN has now to thank the Gas company for its promptness in making the reduction and to offer its congratulations to the company on this speedy response to public sentiment as voiced by THE SUN.

FORT HILL PARK SWINDLE.

The scheme to have the city purchase the Fort Hill park land for the benefit of a syndicate should be opposed by every member of the city council, every newspaper in the city and every tax payer. It is being carried on by a system of lobbying with the committee on commons and other members of the city council. It is now taken up by this committee and recommended in order that it may be passed or else laid over to await the action of next year's city council in which the syndicate may have more of a pull. To vote to authorize the purchase of this land at the price offered or even at half the price offered would be little less than political suicide for every official implicated in the deal. It would drive out of politics every official from the mayor down to the last councilman who would give his sanction to such a swindle.

The people are watching the course of this project and THE SUN will keep the public posted upon its phases until it be finally abandoned. That matter was submitted to the people and defeated. The city council should not go against the will of the people to accommodate a clique of speculators. The aldermen have passed the resolution to purchase this land, but it remains to be seen whether the council will be equally faithless to the interests of the city.

CURRENT CLIPPINGS.

Mr. Comfort Gives the Burglar Enough Rope, and He Hangs Himself.

"Silas!" whispered Mrs. Comfort to me the other night as she dug her elbow into my ribs, "are you awake?"

"I wasn't a minute ago, but as you have succeeded in arousing me what is it you wish to observe?"

"Just listen to that noise!"

"I hear it."

"But what is it?"

"Without having investigated the subject, I should say the noise was caused by a rat knawing at the woodwork under the lavatory. Should I get out of bed and go prying about, I might find that it was Smith's goat housing around the garbage can in the back yard. In either case we have nothing to do with it. If a rat, he will gnaw his way through to find that he is worse off than before. If it is the goat, he will probably get choked to death on fishbones."

"Are you going to get up, Mr. Comfort?"

"Certainly not."

"Then I will!"

And she not only did, but raised the window and saw a man in the back yard and came back to bed to whisper to me: "Silas, do you want to be murdered in your bed?"

"Why, it might as well be in bed as on the stairs, down cellar or on the front steps."

"But aren't you going to scare the man away?"

"No, dear. In the first place, he may not be one of the scary kind, and in the next his object in coming into the yard was probably to steal that old harness hanging on the fence. Let him have it. It may not only encourage him to steal a horse and buggy to go with it, but will save me from dragging the old rubbish out into the alley. Come to bed, Mrs. Comfort. If the man discovers that he is being watched, he may walk off with the snow shovel instead of the harness."

Mrs. Comfort growled and kicked and called me coldblooded, and declared that I wanted to get her murdered, and for five long hours she did not shut her eyes in sleep. The man not only took the old harness, but at once felt that he must steal a horse to match it. In stealing the horse he was caught, and got five years in prison, and thus another bad man was removed from society.

"Didn't I tell you?" says I to Mrs. Comfort when I heard the news, but she looked at me with a freezing expression and wouldn't say a word.—Detroit Free Press.

What He Had.

The New York youth was doing the west, and the first night he pulled up in a rough town and stopped at a rougher tavern, with a retired cowboy for a waiter. At the supper table the easterner was quite elaborate.

"Bring me," he said to the waiter, "a rare steak with mushrooms."

"Ain't got it," replied the waiter promptly.

"Well, bring me a muttonchop done to a turn."

"Ain't got it," came back the first answer.

The easterner showed his annoyance.

"Bring me a broiled chicken on toast," he said, severely.

"Ain't got it," came the same old answer.

"Indeed?" very ironically. "Suppose you bring me a bit of boiled ham."

"Ain't got it," said the cowboy.

"You haven't?" and this time the New Yorker was reckless. "Well, what in thunder have you got?"

"Got a notion to punch you one in the jaw for bein a dude," replied the waiter in the same tone as before. "Have a slug of salt pork and a skinned pertater." And the easterner took that.—Exchange.

How She Learned.

Miss Beautie—What a perfect specimen of Ionian architecture!

Adorer (an architect)—Indeed it is, and I am delighted to find that you know so much about architecture.

Small Brother—Oh, you ain't the first architect sister has been engaged to.—Good News.

SUNBEAMS.

She—All of which only convinces me that you married me for my money.

He—Well, it may not seem probable, but I honestly loved you.—Life.

A Proper Introduction.

"What is your line of business?" whispered the editor to a man he was about to introduce to northern capitalists.

"I hyuls furniture," huskily came the reply.

"Here, gentlemen," continued the editor, "is Mr. Jones, one of the moving spirits of our city."—Atlanta Constitution.

Music Defined.

A Hindoostani work on music says that "music is the painfully acquired art of speaking very loud in a shrill voice." How would Hindoostani define a hand organ?—Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle.

Money an Equalizer.

When you can buy a barrel of oranges as cheap as a barrel of apples you then know how much you liked the apples.—Cincinnati Tribune.

Only One.

Mickey Branigan says that his wife has only one fault. She will swear when she's drunk.—Life.

No Doubt of It.

"They may talk all they please about the indifference of those who labor, but there's at least one class of men who put a great deal of heart in their work."

"Who are they?"

"The fellows who make sentimental valentines."—Buffalo Courier.

Don't Mention It.

Jorkins (after tripping over a projecting foot in a street car)—Did I hurt your corns?

Writhing Passenger—You did.

Jorkins (quietly)—I am so glad.—Truth.

Not Well Informed.

A Delaware judge has decided that a razor is not a deadly weapon. It is quite plain that this particular jurist never attended the forcible adjournment of an overheated cakewalk.—Washington Post.

Reversing the Rule.

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TARIFF BILL

Ways and Means Recommends Temperate Reform.

GROWING HOME MARKET WILL OUTSTRIDE PROTECTION.

Substance of the Report Sent to Congress for Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The majority report of the ways and means committee on the tariff bill written by Chairman Wilson and approved by all the Democratic members of the committee was presented to the house. In substance, the report says:

The American people, after the fullest and most thorough debate ever given by any people to their fiscal policy, have deliberately and rightly decided that the existing tariff is wrong in principle and grievously unjust in operation. They have decided, as free men must always decide, that the power of taxation has no lawful or constitutional exercise except for providing revenue for the support of government. Every departure from this principle is a departure from the fundamental principles of popular institutions, and inevitably works out a gross inequality in the citizenship of a country.

The bill on which the committee has expended much patient and anxious labor is not offered as a complete response to the mandate of the American people. It no more professes to be purged of all protection than to be free of all error in its complex and manifold details. However we may deny the existence of any legislative pledge, or of the right of any congress to make such pledge, for the continuance of duties that carry with them more or less acknowledged protection, we must recognize that great interests do exist whose existence and prosperity it is no part of our reform either to imperil or to curtail.

Injury to None.

We believe, and we have the warrant of our own past experience for believing, that reduction of duties will not injure but give more abundant life to all our great manufacturing industries, however much they may dread the change. In dealing with the tariff question, as with every other long-standing abuse that has interwoven itself with our industrial or social system, the legislator must always remember that, in the beginning, temperate reform is safest, having in itself the principle of growth.

We have already said that public discussion may disclose errors of minor detail in the schedules of our bill. To escape such errors would require so thorough and minute a knowledge of all the divisions, sub-divisions, complex and manifold mazes and involutions of our chemical, textile, metal and other industries, that no committee of congress, no matter how extended the range of their personal knowledge, or how laborious and painstaking their efforts, could ever hope to possess. We have not forgotten that we represent the people, who are the many, as well as the protected interests, who are the few, and while we have dealt with the latter in no spirit of unfriendliness, we have felt that it was our duty and not their privilege to make the tariff schedules.

Taxation Argument.

We have believed that the first step toward a reform of the tariff should be a release of taxes on the materials of industry. There can be no substantial and beneficial reduction upon the necessary clothing and other comforts of the American people, nor any substantial and beneficial enlargement of the field of American labor, so long as we tax materials and processes of production. Every tax upon the producer falls with increased force on the consumer. Every tax on the producer in this country is a protection to his competitors in all other countries, and so narrows his market as to limit the number and lessen the wages of those to whom he can give employment.

Every cheapening in the cost or enlargement of the supply of his raw materials, while primarily inuring to the benefit of the manufacturer himself, passes under free competition immediately and passes entirely to the consumer, who very soon gets even more benefit out of it than such reduction seems to carry, because with the rapid widening of his market the manufacturer is able to sell at a smaller profit.

Legislating For Millions.

It is therefore a very narrow and short-sighted view which supposes that we release the duties on iron ore and coal and wool and other like articles for the benefit of those who manufacture our iron, steel, woolen and other fabrics. We are legislating for the great millions of consumers beyond them, and for the scores of thousands of laborers to whom they may thus give steady and well-paid employment. It is no less a narrow and short-sighted view that supposes that a removal of the tariff duties on such necessaries of industries will inflict any real loss upon those who produce them in our own country.

The enlargement of markets for our products in other countries, the increase in the internal commerce and in the carrying trade of our country will insure a growing home market for all these things that will quickly outstrip anything they could have under the protective system.

Followed Precedents.

Any article of manufacture which can sustain the competition of like foreign articles in other markets can defy such competition in the home market, and is not protected by the duty, but by its own intrinsic superior cheapness and quality. The only effect of a duty on such articles is to enable those who make them to charge higher prices to the citizens of their own country than they charge to foreigners, and this has been notoriously the case with both copper and many agricultural implements.

In adjusting duties upon what may be called the finished products we have tried to impose such rates as will not destroy or distress any of our home industries on the one hand, nor on the other secure them an oppressive monopoly of the home market. For this rule we have the recognized authority both of well-known and leading tariff reformers and of those who in days past were considered moderate protectionists.

In the iron and steel schedule, beginning with free ore and a duty of 22 1-2 per cent on pig iron, we have reported a scale of duties considerably below those of the existing law, which should bring benefit to the consumer, without calling for any halt in the progress of that great industry in our country. The duty upon steel rails has been put at 25 per cent, which quite compensates for all difference in the cost of production in this country and abroad.

Ad Valorem Substitute.

A most important change in the bill proposed from the present law will be found in the general substitution of ad valorem for specific duties. This must always be the characteristic of a revenue tariff levied upon a large range of articles, especially when those include the plain necessaries of life. A duty which taxes according to kind, pound, weight, measure or the like, without regard to quality, always oppresses the less wealthy consumer and lightens the just burdens of his richer fellow-citizens.

Such inequalities as we have mentioned in the woolen schedule, and many still grosser ones that might easily be cited, could only be hidden in the specific duties and would never appear in a tariff that assessed its exactions according to the real value of the article taxed.

M'VEAGH HONORED.

Ex-Cabinet Officer Nominated For the Italian Mission.

WASHINGTON, Dec 20.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate. Wayne McVeagh of Pennsylvania, to be ambassador of the United States to Italy John I. Perish of California, naval officer at San Francisco. John W. Walker of Pennsylvania, marshal of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania. James H. Forney of Idaho, attorney of the United States for the district of Idaho. Robert B. Armour, postmaster, Memphis.

The appointment of McVeagh to fill the position of ambassador to Italy, for which Mr. Van Alen was at first selected, created some surprise at the Capitol. When the appointment list was handed to Senator Hill, he exclaimed: "What! Have not all the mugwumps been provided for yet?" Other senators of pronounced partisan views made somewhat similar remarks.

Mr McVeagh was attorney general in the Garfield administration.

Asleep Three Weeks.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 20.—The medical fraternity of this city is baffled with a peculiar case which has just come to public notice. Mrs. Gould gave birth to an 18-pound child Nov. 25, and has since been in a comatose condition. Once in every few days she regains consciousness for a brief period, and then relapses again. For three weeks she has slept practically all the time. Physicians say the peculiar case is brights disease.

Ten Were Injured.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—A small engine used at the Edgar Thomson steel works to haul ladles of metal crashed into an accommodation train on a bridge, near Bessemer, hurling one coach of the accommodation into the creek 20 feet below. Ten persons were injured, one of whom has since died and another is believed to have been fatally hurt

Asked to Resign.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Governor Russell, with the unanimous concurrence of the council, has requested the resignation of H. M Federbon and Jeremiah Murphy, members of the building committee of the Medfield insane asylum No charge of dishonesty is made, but there has been friction in the committee and loss of public confidence.

Cutting Down Expenses.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—A rumor is current among the employes of the West End street railroad that the management is preparing to reduce their wages on Jan. 1. It is stated that the company has taken several of the switchmen and placed them on the cars, and that in the future the conductors will have to do their own switching.

Shocking Triple Tragedy.

VERMILION, S D., Dec. 20.—While sleigh riding, Miss Dolly Hemphill and Miss Kate Steffin were shot by their escort, Shorty Babcock. Miss Hemphill was instantly killed. The Steffin girl received two wounds in the breast which may prove fatal. Babcock then killed himself. The motive is not known.

Young Girl Saved Her Mother.

HALIFAX, Dec. 20.—Four young people skating on Chocolate lake broke through the ice and were drowned. Three were named Doyle, two boys and a girl aged 20. The fourth was a boy named Neill. Mrs. Doyle nearly lost her life in attempting to rescue her children She was rescued by her 9-year-old daughter.

On Good Terms.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Hawaiian legislature has been furnished by the state department with official copies of the president's message and all correspondence transmitted to congress on the Hawaiian question. This indicates that direct diplomatic relations are still unrestrained.

Big Boom For Schenectady.

ALBANY, Dec. 20.—It is reported in business circles here that the big works of the General Electric company at Schenectady will start up on full time on Jan. 1. It is said that the company will abandon its works at Lynn, Mass, and Orange, N. J., and concentrate all its plant at Schenectady.

Blair Is For Annexation.

WASHINGTON, Dec 20.—Representative Blair of New Hampshire introduced the following resolution in the house: "Resolved that this house is in favor of annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States." It was referred to the committee on foreign affairs.

Died Fighting.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—General Williams has received details of the death of his son, Captain Williams, in Matabeleland Captain Williams fell fighting, after killing several Matabeles with his rifle and revolver.

Government Surveyors at Work.

NEW LONDON, Conn, Dec. 20.—There is a strong probability that a lighthouse will be established on Southwest ledge near this harbor. Government surveyors are making soundings for its location.

New Meteorological Station.

ISLES OF SHOALS, N. H., Dec. 20.—The United States weather bureau has opened its new station at the Isles of Shoals, and in the future its flags will float daily from the highest point on Appleton island.

Prince Commits Suicide.

ROME, Dec. 20.—Albert Monroy, Prince of Formosa, committed suicide here by shooting himself.

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FIGHTING

Government and Insurgent Forces Are at it.

SHIPS AND FORTS INDULGE IN CANNONADING.

Serious Plight of the Brazilian Government Treasury.

PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 20.—A general engagement between the rebel ships and the government forts was begun on Monday in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro. The firing on both sides is said to have been severe. The result is not known yet.

Dispatches from Rio de Janeiro also say that Commander Picking, senior naval officer of the United States ships at Rio, has announced to the merchants and ship captains there that he declines to guarantee the safety of the anchorage used by merchant vessels now for discharge and loading of cargoes into lighters.

A report is in circulation that President Peixoto and his government are nearly bankrupt, and that the financial strain cannot be endured much longer All cable messages to and from the south have been stopped by order of the government

Nictheroy Has a New Captain.

Captain Baker, who left New York in command of the Nictheroy, is no longer in charge of the new Brazilian cruiser. The officer in charge now is Captain Alvaro Nunez, formerly in command of the Brazilian warship Republica, and one of the few naval officers loyal to Peixoto

This change is a great disappointment to the American portion of the crew of the Nictheroy, and has had a bad influence upon those inclined to continue the strike for an increase of wages upon regularly entering the Brazilian navy.

Many have decided to return to the United States. It is understood that strong inducements are being held out to Captain Baker in order to prevail upon him to serve as second in command, but the result is not generally known. It seems certain, however, that the majority of the guns' crews will be prevailed upon to remain with the Nictheroy; but it appears likely that the firemen and stokers, as well as a number of seamen, will be replaced by Brazilians or others.

The America Heard From.

The America has arrived safely at Maranhao, the largest town and seaport of the state of Maranhao, in the northern portion of Brazil. She is expected here tomorrow. The two vessels will almost immediately afterwards sail for Bahia or some other port to the south, where the two cruisers expect to receive definite orders.

It is reported that Mello is as well informed concerning the movements of the Nictheroy and America as President Peixoto himself.

Just as I close this dispatch, I hear a rumor that there is trouble among the crew of the America, similar to the trouble existing among the crew of the Nictheroy. Should this be the case, there may be some further delay in the departure of the two cruisers southward.

Summary Measures.

Late yesterday, Captain Nunez, the new commander of the Nictheroy, shipped 60 new men and sent several of the New York crew ashore. The rest of the seamen shipped at New York were compelled to sail in spite of their protests.

It is thought that there was a serious disturbance on board the Nictheroy and that several of the men who desired to leave the ship engaged in a struggle with the remainder of the crew and that a number of men were finally clapped in irons and confined below decks

American Vessels Going to Rio.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Word was received at the navy department that the San Francisco had arrived at Trinidad and was ordered to proceed to Rio de Janeiro. It is inferred that the serious condition of affairs in Brazil calls for further show of United States forces

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Hurried preparations are being made at the navy yard to fit the cruiser New York for sea. It is surmised that she has been ordered to Brazil.

Unseated by Deputies.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The chamber of deputies has annulled the election of Visconte Hugues, who defeated General MacAdaras, an Irishman. It was contended that calumnies were circulated during the electioneering to the effect that General MacAdaras was one of the Phœnix park assassins, etc,

An Adventurous American.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The British steamship Sirius arrived in port yesterday, having on board Dr. Charles E. Boynton, who was arrested in Rio de Janeiro for attempting to destroy the flagship Aquidaban. The prisoner was in charge of Ensign Carter. Boynton claimed his arrest was illegal.

Bombs In Bohemia.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Prague says that a large bomb was exploded outside the residence of Lawyer Wolff at Rakonitz. The house was demolished and several other buildings were damaged by the explosion. Wolff, his wife and two daughters were injured.

Has No Heart.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Barcelona states that Jose Colina has confessed that he was the author of the dynamite explosion in the Lyceum theater, when upward of 30 persons were killed. He said he gloried in his act. Colina recently came to Barcelona from France.

Captain Cook Resigns.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—Benjamin Cook, Jr., captain of next year's baseball nine, has resigned The reason given is that he cannot devote the necessary time to the work. Mr Cook has played on the nine for three years This leaves the nine without a single veteran player.

The Marblehead Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The secretary of the navy has accepted the cruiser Marblehead in behalf of the government. A check for the premium of $125,000 earned by the vessel for excess in speed over contract requirements was sent to the contractor, Harrison Loring of South Boston.

New Income Tax Scheme.

WASHINGTON, Dec 20.—Mr. Bretz of Indiana introduced a bill for an income tax sufficient to yield annually an amount of revenue equal to that required for the payment of pensions. The tax is to be levied only on incomes over $5000.

Smart Americans.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The Academy of Sciences has awarded the Arago astronomy prize to Americans, Messrs. Hall and Barnard being the prize-winners.

Four Bold Robbers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Four partially masked men entered Morgan & Chinn's gambling house, and with drawn revolvers compelled the dealer to hand over $4000. The police have no clue.

NO CHARITY.

Unemployed Bostonians Prefer to Work For Their Bread.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Faneuil hall, the historic cradle of liberty, was filled by fully 5000 people, while many hundreds were unable to gain admittance, who attended the meeting of the unemployed last night. A number of speeches were made bearing upon the duty of the city of Boston to furnish work for the unemployed. The following resolutions were adopted with a cheer:

"We are here to ask for one thing, that work be furnished the unemployed by the city. We are here to stand for one principle, that those who are willing to work have a right to work, and that society is under obligation to provide work for them. We are here to make one firm protest that the working classes shall not in this extremity be turned over to the degradation of charity.

"When we wish to earn our bread honestly and retain our manhood, are we to be told that the doors of the poorhouses and the associated charities are open to us? We shall not consent to that solution of the problem. We are a part of this municipality. We have rights. It is our inalienable right not to be beggared and pauperized.

"If you cast us upon charity and refuse us work you make us paupers by compulsion. We have petitioned, and waited and starved. We ask action. We ask immediate work. We ask the city to give this work We shall not be satisfied with anything but this, and if you force pauperism upon us you will degrade all society with us"

In response to a call for all persons out of work or suffering from a reduction in wages to raise the right hand, fully four-fifths of the audience responded.

ENGLAND'S NAVY.

A Hot Debate In Which Gladstone Gains a Victory.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Mr. Gladstone won another parliamentary victory after gallantly fighting at the head of his followers. What was practically a vote of censure was moved by Mr. Hamilton in connection with the alleged weakness of the British navy as compared with the combined navies of Russia and France, and after an exciting debate the motion was rejected, and Mr. Gladstone's amendment to the effect that the house had confidence that the government would pay adequate attention to the navy was adopted without a division, causing much enthusiasm in the Liberal ranks.

Prior to the opening of the debate Mr. Gladstone obtained a suspension of the midnight rule in order that the debate should be finished The debate was long and heated, and Hamilton's motion was rejected by a vote of 240 to 204.

Mills to Close.

LAWRENCE, Mass, Dec. 20.—The weaving, carding and spinning departments of the Arlington mills will shut down tonight The period of the shutdown is placed at 10 days. The closing is a result of surplus production. It is also stated that the mills of Moses T. Stevens, at North Andover are to be hereafter run at reduced hours

Verdict of Not Guilty.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 20.—The trial of Peter Mulvey, Jr., charged with causing the death of his father, ended in the supreme court yesterday afternoon, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was released. The old man was found dead in his room one morning in October with his skull fractured.

A Brutal Assault.

CHICAGO, Dec 20.—Edna Millville, living on Wabash avenue, was assaulted by an unknown colored man, who begged for food. After he had eaten his fill he rushed at her with an iron bar and beat and kicked her until he had inflicted injuries so severe that the girl may die. The assailant is at large.

To Cost $150,000.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—Ground was broken yesterday in the college yard for Harvard's new museum, the Fogg Art museum The building will be of Indiana limestone and will cost $150,000. The gift was largely due to the personal influence and reputation of Professor Norton.

Declined Assistance.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 20.—The steamer Vancouver from Halifax reports that while off Chebucto head she sighted the coal barge Alice in distress. The barge broke away from a tug Dec. 11. Captain Williams offered to take the crew aboard, but the offer was refused.

Had No Opposition.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—Robert Adams, Jr., ex-minister to Brazil, was elected a member of congress to succeed the late Charles O'Neill. The district is overwhelmingly Republican, and the Democrats made no nomination.

Death of Mrs. Ferguson.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Jane B. Ferguson, wife of ex-fish commissioner Ferguson, and daughter of the late Governor Swann of Maryland, died yesterday afternoon from injuries received by being run over by a cable train.

Wanted at Keene.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Arthur W. Vaughn, 19 years old, and Charles J. Mead, 17, of Keene, N. H., who are wanted there for burglary, were arrested here yesterday afternoon. They will be sent for today.

Senators Martin and Hunton.

RICHMOND, Dec. 20.—In the legislature Eppa Hunton was elected United States senator for the short term and Thomas S. Martin United States senator for the long term.

Chicago's New Mayor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Hopkins, Dem., was elected mayor by 1887 majority over Swift, Rep.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Four business houses were destroyed by fire at Princeton, Mo.

Attleboro (Mass.) jewelers have petitioned against the Wilson tariff bill.

The police of Boston will give one day's pay toward relieving the poor.

Louis A. Norgenthal, a wine merchant of London, committed suicide at New York.

Not so much Christmas mail matter is being received at the Boston postoffice as in former years.

England, it is said, will spend more than a hundred millions on her navy within the next five years.

Two negro children were burned to death at Burkesville, Ky., and the mother, crazed by grief, committed suicide.

The National Wall Paper company of New York received a charter authorizing them to transact business in Missouri. The capital stock is $14,000,000.

Emma, the 7-year-old daughter of Postmaster Wood of Winthrop, Me., was terribly injured about the face by running into a barbed wire fence while coasting.

The South Kington, R. I., telegraph pole cutting war has resulted in the town council ordering the Postal company's poles removed entirely from the main highways of the town.

In a State of Coma.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 20.—Martin Brett, aged 22, lies unconscious at his home. Sunday night he was with some companions in a saloon near the state line, when he was seized with a fit of frenzy. Rushing behind the bar he seized a revolver, aimed it at his head and pulled the trigger. The bullet missed its aim and lodged in the ceiling. After two hours the young man was able to go home in a street car. He appeared all right for a time, then flung himself on a bed and lapsed into unconsciousness, where he has lain without food and without speaking since. The doctor describes it as coma accompanying a fit.

Considered by the Clergy.

QUINCY, Mass, Dec. 20.—The Norfolk Association of Congregational Clergymen took up the charges against Rev. N. B Thompson of Brockton at their meeting yesterday. A committee charged the Brockton minister with conduct unfitting him for the ministry, in occupying a stateroom on the Portland boat, April 16, with a woman not his wife. Another charge was that he made certain untruthful statements before the Norfolk association. The witnesses whose testimony is relied upon to support the first charge are David W. Alden and wife of Brockton.

End of the Fred May Case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Frederick May, who gave himself up to the authorities to answer to an indictment charging him with assaulting Policeman McGowan in June, 1887, and who was a fugitive for six years, pleaded guilty to assault in the second degree yesterday, and was fined $500. The fine was paid.

The Cable Car Again.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20—Beatrice Hamilton, an actress, and member of Nellie McHenry's company, was knocked down by a Broadway cable car last evening and seriously injured.

Forty Years In One Pulpit.

BATH, Me., Dec. 20.—Rev. Dr. John O. Fiske, for 40 years pastor of the Winter street church, is dead He was one of the best known Congregational preachers in Maine.

Glove Contests Permitted.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 20.—The city council of Jacksonville passed the ordinance permitting pugilists to meet with five-ounce gloves for an unlimited number or rounds.

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Substance of the Report Sent to Congress for Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The majority report of the ways and means committee on the tariff bill written by Chairman Wilson and approved by all the Democratic members of the committee was presented to the house. In substance, the report says:

The American people, after the fullest and most thorough debate ever given by any people to their fiscal policy, have deliberately and rightly decided that the existing tariff is wrong in principle and grievously unjust in operation. They have decided, as free men must always decide, that the power of taxation has no lawful or constitutional exercise except for providing revenue for the support of government. Every departure from this principle is a departure from the fundamental principles of popular institutions, and inevitably works out a gross inequality in the citizenship of a country.

The bill on which the committee has expended much patient and anxious labor is not offered as a complete response to the mandate of the American people. It no more professes to be purged of all protection than to be free of all error in its complex and manifold details. However we may deny the existence of any legislative pledge, or of the right of any congress to make such pledge, for the continuance of duties that carry with them more or less acknowledged protection, we must recognize that great interests do exist whose existence and prosperity it is no part of our reform either to imperil or to curtail.

Injury to None.

We believe, and we have the warrant of our own past experience for believing, that reduction of duties will not injure but give more abundant life to all our great manufacturing industries, however much they may dread the change. In dealing with the tariff question, as with every other long-standing abuse that has interwoven itself with our industrial or social system, the legislator must always remember that, in the beginning, temperate reform is safest, having in itself the principle of growth.

We have already said that public discussion may disclose errors of minor detail in the schedules of our bill. To escape such errors would require so thorough and minute a knowledge of all the divisions, sub-divisions, complex and manifold mazes and involutions of our chemical, textile, metal and other industries, that no committee of congress, no matter how extended the range of their personal knowledge, or how laborious and painstaking their efforts, could ever hope to possess. We have not forgotten that we represent the people, who are the many, as well as the protected interests, who are the few, and while we have dealt with the latter in no spirit of unfriendliness, we have felt that it was our duty and not their privilege to make the tariff schedules.

Taxation Argument.

We have believed that the first step toward a reform of the tariff should be a release of taxes on the materials of industry. There can be no substantial and beneficial reduction upon the necessary clothing and other comforts of the American people, nor any substantial and beneficial enlargement of the field of American labor, so long as we tax materials and processes of production. Every tax upon the producer falls with increased force on the consumer. Every tax on the producer in this country is a protection to his competitors in all other countries, and so narrows his market as to limit the number and lessen the wages of those to whom he can give employment.

Every cheapening in the cost or enlargement of the supply of his raw materials, while primarily inuring to the benefit of the manufacturer himself, passes under free competition immediately and passes entirely to the consumer, who very soon gets even more benefit out of it than such reduction seems to carry, because with the rapid widening of his market the manufacturer is able to sell at a smaller profit.

Legislating For Millions.

It is therefore a very narrow and short-sighted view which supposes that we release the duties on iron ore and coal and wool and other like articles for the benefit of those who manufacture our iron, steel, woolen and other fabrics. We are legislating for the great millions of consumers beyond them, and for the scores of thousands of laborers to whom they may thus give steady and well-paid employment. It is no less a narrow and short-sighted view that supposes that a removal of the tariff duties on such necessaries of industries will inflict any real loss upon those who produce them in our own country.

The enlargement of markets for our products in other countries, the increase in the internal commerce and in the carrying trade of our country will insure a growing home market for all these things that will quickly outstrip anything they could have under the protective system.

Followed Precedents.

Any article of manufacture which can sustain the competition of like foreign articles in other markets can defy such competition in the home market, and is not protected by the duty, but by its own intrinsic superior cheapness and quality. The only effect of a duty on such articles is to enable those who make them to charge higher prices to the citizens of their own country than they charge to foreigners, and this has been notoriously the case with both copper and many agricultural implements.

In adjusting duties upon what may be called the finished products we have tried to impose such rates as will not destroy or distress any of our home industries on the one hand, nor on the other secure them an oppressive monopoly of the home market. For this rule we have the recognized authority both of well-known and leading tariff reformers and of those who in days past were considered moderate protectionists.

In the iron and steel schedule, beginning with free ore and a duty of 22 1-2 per cent on pig iron, we have reported a scale of duties considerably below those of the existing law, which should bring benefit to the consumer, without calling for any halt in the progress of that great industry in our country. The duty upon steel rails has been put at 25 per cent, which quite compensates for all difference in the cost of production in this country and abroad.

Ad Valorem Substitute.

A most important change in the bill proposed from the present law will be found in the general substitution of ad valorem for specific duties. This must always be the characteristic of a revenue tariff levied upon a large range of articles, especially when those include the plain necessaries of life. A duty which taxes according to kind, pound, weight, measure or the like, without regard to quality, always oppresses the less wealthy consumer and lightens the just burdens of his richer fellow-citizens.

Such inequalities as we have mentioned in the woolen schedule, and many still grosser ones that might easily be cited, could only be hidden in the specific duties and would never appear in a tariff that assessed its exactions according to the real value of the article taxed.

M'VEAGH HONORED.

Ex-Cabinet Officer Nominated For the Italian Mission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate: Wayne McVeagh of Pennsylvania, to be ambassador of the United States to Italy. John I. Perish of California, naval officer at San Francisco. John W. Walker of Pennsylvania, marshal of the United States for the western district of Pennsylvania. James H. Forney of Idaho, attorney of the United States for the district of Idaho. Robert B. Armour, postmaster, Memphis.

The appointment of McVeagh to fill the position of ambassador to Italy, for which Mr. Van Alen was at first selected, created some surprise at the Capitol. When the appointment list was handed to Senator Hill, he exclaimed: "What! Have not all the mugwumps been provided for yet?" Other senators of pronounced partisan views made somewhat similar remarks.

Mr. McVeagh was attorney general in the Garfield administration.

Asleep Three Weeks.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 20.—The medical fraternity of this city is baffled with a peculiar case which has just come to public notice. Mrs. Gould gave birth to an 18-pound child Nov. 25, and has since been in a comatose condition. Once in every few days she regains consciousness for a brief period, and then relapses again. For three weeks she has slept practically all the time. Physicians say the peculiar case is brights disease.

Ten Were Injured.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—A small engine used at the Edgar Thomson steel works to haul ladles of metal crashed into an accommodation train on a bridge, near Bessemer, hurling one coach of the accommodation into the creek 29 feet below. Ten persons were injured, one of whom has since died and another is believed to have been fatally hurt.

Asked to Resign.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Governor Russell, with the unanimous concurrence of the council, has requested the resignation of H. M. Federhen and Jeremiah Murphy, members of the building committee of the Medfield insane asylum. No charge of dishonesty is made, but there has been friction in the committee and loss of public confidence.

Cutting Down Expenses.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—A rumor is current among the employes of the West End street railroad that the management is preparing to reduce their wages on Jan. 1. It is stated that the company has taken several of the switchmen and placed them on the cars, and that in the future the conductors will have to do their own switching.

Shocking Triple Tragedy.

VERMILLION, S. D., Dec. 20.—While sleigh riding, Miss Dolly Hemphill and Miss Kate Stefiin were shot by their escort, Shorty Babcock. Miss Hemphill was instantly killed. The Stefiin girl received two wounds in the breast which may prove fatal. Babcock then killed himself. The motive is not known.

Young Girl Saved Her Mother.

HALIFAX, Dec. 20.—Four young people skating on Chocolate lake broke through the ice and were drowned. Three were named Doyle, two boys and a girl aged 20. The fourth was a boy named Neill. Mrs. Doyle nearly lost her life in attempting to rescue her children. She was rescued by her 9-year-old daughter.

On Good Terms.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Hawaiian legislature has been furnished by the state department with official copies of the president's message and all correspondence transmitted to congress on the Hawaiian question. This indicates that direct diplomatic relations are still unrestrained.

Big Boom For Schenectady.

ALBANY, Dec. 20.—It is reported in business circles here that the big works of the General Electric company at Schenectady will start up on full time on Jan. 1. It is said that the company will abandon its works at Lynn, Mass., and Orange, N. J., and concentrate all its plant at Schenectady.

Blair Is For Annexation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Representative Blair of New Hampshire introduced the following resolution in the house: "Resolved that this house is in favor of annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States." It was referred to the committee on foreign affairs.

Died Fighting.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—General Williams has received details of the death of his son, Captain Williams, in Matabeleland. Captain Williams fell fighting, after killing several Matabeles with his rifle and revolver.

Government Surveyors at Work.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 20.—There is a strong probability that a lighthouse will be established on Southwest ledge near this harbor. Government surveyors are making soundings for its location.

New Meteorological Station.

ISLES OF SHOALS, N. H., Dec. 20.—The United States weather bureau has opened its new station at the Isles of Shoals, and in the future its flags will float daily from the highest point on Appleton island.

Prince Commits Suicide.

ROME, Dec. 20.—Albert Monroy, Prince of Formosa, committed suicide here by shooting himself.

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SHIPS AND FORTS INDULGE IN CANNONADING.

Serious Plight of the Brazilian Government Treasury.

PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 20.—A general engagement between the rebel ships and the government forts was begun on Monday in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro. The firing on both sides is said to have been severe. The result is not known yet.

Dispatches from Rio de Janeiro also say that Commander Picking, senior naval officer of the United States ships at Rio, has announced to the merchants and ship captains there that he declines to guarantee the safety of the anchorage used by merchant vessels now for discharge and loading of cargoes into lighters.

A report is in circulation that President Peixoto and his government are nearly bankrupt, and that the financial strain cannot be endured much longer. All cable messages to and from the south have been stopped by order of the government.

Nictheroy Has a New Captain.

Captain Baker, who left New York in command of the Nictheroy, is no longer in charge of the new Brazilian cruiser. The officer in charge now is Captain Alvaro Nunez, formerly in command of the Brazilian warship Republica, and one of the few naval officers loyal to Peixoto.

This change is a great disappointment to the American portion of the crew of the Nictheroy, and has had a bad influence upon those inclined to continue the strike for an increase of wages upon regularly entering the Brazilian navy.

Many have decided to return to the United States. It is understood that strong inducements are being held out to Captain Baker in order to prevail upon him to serve as second in command, but the result is not generally known. It seems certain, however, that the majority of the guns' crews will be prevailed upon to remain with the Nictheroy; but it appears likely that the firemen and stokers, as well as a number of seamen, will be replaced by Brazilians or others.

The America Heard From.

The America has arrived safely at Maranhao, the largest town and seaport of the state of Maranhao, in the northern portion of Brazil. She is expected here tomorrow. The two vessels will almost immediately afterwards sail for Bahia or some other port to the south, where the two cruisers expect to receive definite orders.

It is reported that Mello is as well informed concerning the movements of the Nictheroy and America as President Peixoto himself.

Just as I close this dispatch, I hear a rumor that there is trouble among the crew of the America, similar to the trouble existing among the crew of the Nictheroy. Should this be the case, there may be some further delay in the departure of the two cruisers southward.

Summary Measures.

Late yesterday, Captain Nunez, the new commander of the Nictheroy, shipped 60 new men and sent several of the New York crew ashore. The rest of the seamen shipped at New York were compelled to sail in spite of their protests.

It is thought that there was a serious disturbance on board the Nictheroy and that several of the men who desired to leave the ship engaged in a struggle with the remainder of the crew and that a number of men were finally clapped in irons and confined below decks.

American Vessels Going to Rio.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Word was received at the navy department that the San Francisco had arrived at Trinidad and was ordered to proceed to Rio de Janeiro. It is inferred that the serious condition of affairs in Brazil calls for further show of United States forces.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Hurried preparations are being made at the navy yard to fit the cruiser New York for sea. It is surmised that she has been ordered to Brazil.

Unseated by Deputies.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The chamber of deputies has annulled the election of Viscomte Hugues, who defeated General MacAdaras, an Irishman. It was contended that calumnies were circulated during the electioneering to the effect that General MacAdaras was one of the Phœnix park assassins, etc.

An Adventurous American.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The British steamship Sirius arrived in port yesterday, having on board Dr. Charles E. Boynton, who was arrested in Rio de Janeiro for attempting to destroy the flagship Aquidaban. The prisoner was in charge of Ensign Carter. Boynton claimed his arrest was illegal.

Bombs In Bohemia.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Prague says that a large bomb was exploded outside the residence of Lawyer Wolff at Rakonitz. The house was demolished and several other buildings were damaged by the explosion. Wolff, his wife and two daughters were injured.

Has No Heart.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Barcelona states that Jose Colina has confessed that he was the author of the dynamite explosion in the Lyceum theater, when upward of 30 persons were killed. He said he gloried in his act. Colina recently came to Barcelona from France.

Captain Cook Resigns.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—Benjamin Cook, Jr., captain of next year's baseball nine, has resigned. The reason given is that he cannot devote the necessary time to the work. Mr. Cook has played on the nine for three years. This leaves the nine without a single veteran player.

The Marblehead Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The secretary of the navy has accepted the cruiser Marblehead in behalf of the government. A check for the premium of $125,000 earned by the vessel for excess in speed over contract requirements was sent to the contractor, Harrison Loring of South Boston.

New Income Tax Scheme.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Mr. Bretz of Indiana introduced a bill for an income tax sufficient to yield annually an amount of revenue equal to that required for the payment of pensions. The tax is to be levied only on incomes over $5000.

Smart Americans.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The Academy of Sciences has awarded the Arago astronomy prize to Americans, Messrs. Hall and Barnard being the prize-winners.

Four Bold Robbers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Four partially masked men entered Morgan & Chinn's gambling house, and with drawn revolvers compelled the cashier to hand over $4000. The police have no clue.

NO CHARITY.

Unemployed Bostonians Prefer to Work For Their Bread.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Faneuil hall, the historic cradle of liberty, was filled by fully 5000 people, while many hundreds were unable to gain admittance, who attended the meeting of the unemployed last night. A number of speeches were made bearing upon the duty of the city of Boston to furnish work for the unemployed. The following resolutions were adopted with a cheer:

"We are here to ask for one thing, that work be furnished the unemployed by the city. We are here to stand for one principle, that those who are willing to work have a right to work, and that society is under obligation to provide work for them. We are here to make one firm protest that the working classes shall not in this extremity be turned over to the degradation of charity.

"When we wish to earn our bread honestly and retain our manhood, are we to be told that the doors of the poorhouses and the associated charities are open to us? We shall not consent to that solution of the problem. We are a part of this municipality. We have rights. It is our inalienable right not to be beggared and pauperized.

"If you cast us upon charity and refuse us work you make us paupers by compulsion. We have petitioned, and waited and starved. We ask action. We ask immediate work. We ask the city to give this work. We shall not be satisfied with anything but this, and if you force pauperism upon us you will degrade all society with us."

In response to a call for all persons out of work or suffering from a reduction in wages to raise the right hand, fully four-fifths of the audience responded.

ENGLAND'S NAVY.

A Hot Debate In Which Gladstone Gains a Victory.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Mr. Gladstone won another parliamentary victory after gallantly fighting at the head of his followers. What was practically a vote of censure was moved by Mr. Hamilton in connection with the alleged weakness of the British navy as compared with the combined navies of Russia and France, and after an exciting debate the motion was rejected, and Mr. Gladstone's amendment to the effect that the house had confidence that the government would pay adequate attention to the navy was adopted without a division, causing much enthusiasm in the Liberal ranks.

Prior to the opening of the debate Mr. Gladstone obtained a suspension of the midnight rule in order that the debate should be finished. The debate was long and heated, and Hamilton's motion was rejected by a vote of 240 to 204.

Mills to Close.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 20.—The weaving, carding and spinning departments of the Arlington mills will shut down tonight. The perion of the shutdown is placed at 10 days. The closing is a result of surplus production. It is also stated that the mills of Moses T. Stevens at North Andover are to be hereafter run at reduced hours.

Verdict of Not Guilty.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 20.—The trial of Peter Mulvey, Jr., charged with causing the death of his father, ended in the supreme court yesterday afternoon, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was released. The old man was found dead in his room one morning in October with his skull fractured.

A Brutal Assault.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Edna Millville, living on Wabash avenue, was assaulted by an unknown colored man, who begged for food. After he had eaten his fill he rushed at her with an iron bar and beat and kicked her until he had inflicted injuries so severe that the girl may die. The assailant is at large.

To Cost $150,000.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 20.—Ground was broken yesterday in the college yard for Harvard's new museum, the Fogg Art museum. The building will be of Indiana limestone and will cost $150,000. The gift was largely due to the personal influence and reputation of Professor Norton.

Declined Assistance.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 20.—The steamer Vancouver from Halifax reports that while off Chebucto head she sighted the coal barge Alice in distress. The barge broke away from a tug Dec. 11. Captain Williams offered to take the crew aboard, but the offer was refused.

Had No Opposition.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—Robert Adams, Jr., ex-minister to Brazil, was elected a member of congress to succeed the late Charles O'Neill. The district is overwhelmingly Republican, and the Democrats made no nomination.

Death of Mrs. Ferguson.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Jane B. Ferguson, wife of ex-fish commissioner Ferguson, and daughter of the late Governor Swann of Maryland, died yesterday afternoon from injuries received by being run over by a cable train.

Wanted at Keene.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Arthur W. Vaughn, 19 years old, and Charles J. Mead, 17, of Keene, N. H., who are wanted there for burglary, were arrested here yesterday afternoon. They will be sent for today.

Senators Martin and Hunton.

RICHMOND, Dec. 20.—In the legislature Eppa Hunton was elected United States senator for the short term and Thomas S. Martin United States senator for the long term.

Chicago's New Mayor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Hopkins, Dem., was elected mayor by 1887 majority over Swift, Rep.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Four business houses were destroyed by fire at Princeton, Mo.

Attleboro (Mass.) jewelers have petitioned against the Wilson tariff bill.

The police of Boston will give one day's pay toward relieving the poor.

Louis A. Norgenthal, a wine merchant of London, committed suicide at New York.

Not so much Christmas mail matter is being received at the Boston postoffice as in former years.

England, it is said, will spend more than a hundred millions on her navy within the next five years.

Two negro children were burned to death at Burkesville, Ky., and the mother, crazed by grief, committed suicide.

The National Wall Paper company of New York received a charter authorizing them to transact business in Missouri. The capital stock is $14,000,000.

Emma, the 7-year-old daughter of Postmaster Wood of Winthrop, Me., was terribly injured about the face by running into a barbed wire fence while coasting.

The South Kington, R. I., telegraph pole cutting war has resulted in the town council ordering the Postal company's poles removed entirely from the main highways of the town.

In a State of Coma.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 20.—Martin Brett, aged 22, lies unconscious at his home. Sunday night he was with some companions in a saloon near the state line, when he was seized with a fit of frenzy. Rushing behind the bar he seized a revolver, aimed it at his head and pulled the trigger. The bullet missed its aim and lodged in the ceiling. After two hours the young man was able to go home in a street car. He appeared all right for a time, then flung himself on a bed and lapsed into unconsciousness, where he has lain without food and without speaking since. The doctor describes it as coma accompanying a fit.

Considered by the Clergy.

QUINCY, Mass., Dec. 20.—The Norfolk Association of Congregational Clergymen took up the charges against Rev. N. B. Thompson of Brockton at their meeting yesterday. A committee charged the Brockton minister with conduct unfitting him for the ministry, in occupying a stateroom on the Portland boat, April 16, with a woman not his wife. Another charge was that he made certain untruthful statements before the Norfolk association. The witnesses whose testimony is relied upon to support the first charge are David W. Alden and wife of Brockton.

End of the Fred May Case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Frederick May, who gave himself up to the authorities to answer to an indictment charging him with assaulting Policeman McGowan in June, 1887, and who was a fugitive for six years, pleaded guilty to assault in the second degree yesterday, and was fined $500. The fine was paid.

The Cable Car Again.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Beatrice Hamilton, an actress, and member of Nellie McHenry's company, was knocked down by a Broadway cable car last evening and seriously injured.

Forty Years In One Pulpit.

BATH, Me., Dec. 20.—Rev. Dr. John O. Fiske, for 40 years pastor of the Winter street church, is dead. He was one of the best known Congregational preachers in Maine.

Glove Contests Permitted.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 20.—The city council of Jacksonville passed the ordinance permitting pugilists to meet with five-ounce gloves for an unlimited number of rounds.

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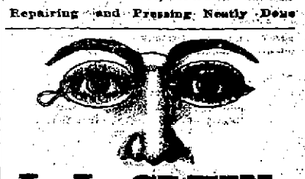

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Forecast for New England: Generally fair, moderate cold wave; northwest gales diminishing.

Quality, Not Quantity.

THE SIZE Of a newspaper is no guarantee of its excellence. The public wants quality, not quantity, in a newspaper. News that is old is not improved by spreading it over a large number of pages, where the reader must hunt to find it. You can read in the padded sheets tomorrow much of what you see in THE SUN today.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke Tower's Corner cigar.

Second hand spiral iron stairs for sale by American Wire Goods Co., Payne street.

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The Unitarian church entertainment committee of North Chelmsford presented the drama "Rebecca's Triumph" at the town hall last evening. They were assisted in the production by a number of young ladies of the Shattuck street church. A large number of Lowell people were present. The drama was finely acted.

A number of young men met last evening and organized a social club which has been temporarily called the "McDonough" club, named after its president, Parker H. McDonough. The members include Joseph L. Dawson, George Roche, Dennis Pendergast and others. The club intends to run a dance in the near future.

SEEN AND HEARD.

"The Kickers" is the name of a newly organized club, which met Sunday for the first time, and while discussing the menu of a Middlesex street restaurant, perfected its organization. Among its members are "Battie" J. Murray, John Furlong and P J. McManmon. To join the club one must be a chronic kicker, and be able to kick at all times and on all conditions of things. Their motto is said to be "If you don't kick yourself, no one will kick for you, while many jump on you." By "kicking yourself" the members mean kicking for themselves, for their own interests. They do not have to kick themselves.

The officers elected for the ensuing year of kicks, were: Most Worthy Grand Chief kicker, B. J. Murray; Municipal kicker, P. J. McManmon, and chancellor of the "kick" or exchequer, J. F. Furlong. Two application have been received already, and they will be acted upon at the next meeting.

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A veteran conductor on one of the through trains running between Montreal and Boston, says that the hard times have made but little difference in the number of French-Canadians coming to the states in search of employment, says the Record. There may be a little falling off, he says, but so far as he was able to judge the quality this winter was worse than usual. The new comers are poorer than usual.

They are of a class which will accept almost anything in the shape of wages. Large numbers have recently come to Manchester and Lowell, while others have been bound for central and southern Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The number who had previously come here, but who are now returning home is much smaller. "The balance of exchange," said he, "in the manner of French Canadians, is largely in favor of Canada."

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One of the ingenious advertising knicknacks is that issued by Win G. Merrill of the Lawrence Telegram printing house. It is the shape of a shipping tag to which is appended two small corks. On the tag is this motto "When your business starts up place one of these in each ear and listen to no one offering to do your job printing until you have given us a chance." etc.

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The Columbia desk calendar which is issued annually by the Pope Manufacturing company, of Columbia bicycle fame, is out for 1894, much improved in appearance. It is a pad calendar of the same size and shape as those of previous years, having a leaf for each day, but its attractiveness has been heightened by the work of a clever artist, who has scattered a series of bright pen-drawings through its pages. It also contains, as usual, many appropriate and interesting contributions from people both bright and wise.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 53 MERRIMACK ST.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

Wall paper at 18 Church street.

If nervous, try Old Hundred cigar.

T. C. Lee, Fire Insurance, Donovan Bl'dg.

A fine toned banjo, guitar or mandolin for $12 at Stratton's.

The common council holds a special meeting this evening

Tomorrow will be St. Thomas' day, the shortest day, of the year.

The Walsh mills on Meadowcroft street, have resumed the full time schedule.

E. G. Parker, 21 E. Merr'k st. sells best Haxall flour in the world for $4.90 per bbl.

Samuel M. Hutchins, for twenty years sexton of the East cemetery at Westford has resigned.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted plants and cut flowers in the city, Shedd's block, Central street.

The Merrimack Manufacturing company has declared a semi-annual dividend of $30 per share, payable Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F Barrett observed the 25th anniversary of their wedding at their home, 4 Fay street, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Shay of San Francisco, Cal., who have been visiting relatives in this city departed yesterday for New York.

At the Ayer home forty little children will celebrate their Christmas tea, Saturday evening. Gifts or toys will be thankfully received.

Drs. Porter and Ricker are candidates for the position of city physician, to succeed Dr. Lawlor, who does not care to be reappointed.

The greatest favor you can confer on friends is to give them your photo. The place to get photos taken is at Marion's, Barrister's hall.

James Coughlin has been chosen by the Stone Mason's union as delegate to the national convention to be held in Omaha in January. The union appropriated $150 for his trip.

The Riverside Oval of the Y. M C. A., will be turned into an ice rink. It has been let for the winter to parties who have run similar rinks in Montreal and will be flooded to make a fine skating pond. If the weather holds good the rink will be open on Friday with a bandsm attendance

Livermore, lodge, A O. U. W., elected the following officers last night: M. W., A. F. Kimball; M. W., A. Jameson, F., H. G. Walker; O., D. Lamberton; recorder, W. H. Waterson; receiver, J. Fleming; financial secretary, O Whitcomb; G., M. E Blood; I. W., H. Sutherland; O W., D G. Common; trustee, A. F. Kimball; alternate, M. E. Blood.

The Old Residents' Historical association will observe its 25th anniversary by meeting on Thursday evening in Runels hall. The papers will be "The Pawtucket falls as a factor in determining so much of the northern boundary of Massachusetts as lies between the Merrimack and Connecticut rivers." By Dr Samuel A. Green, of Boston, secretary of Massachusetts Historical society. Formation and history of the Old Residents' Historical association, By Z. E. Stone. The American quartet will furnish music, composed and arranged by Dr. F. R. Rix.

PROBATE COURT.

McIntire, J.

The following is the record of the business transacted at the regular session of the Probate court, yesterday morning:

Wills presented for probate.—Mary L. Watts, Concord, Rebecca A. Balcom, Maynard; Richard Barry, Lowell; William Bailey, Melrose, George W. Chamberlin, Waltham; Alvira H. Clark, Cambridge; Jerusha Cotting, Hudson; Joseph Gilman, Dracut, Henry L. Lombard, Somerville; William W. Bates, Lowell; William E. Hall, Marlborough; Mary A Bursiel, Litchfield, N. H.; George Proctor, Somerville

Administrations—Mary D. Rooney, Waltham; Mary J. Brown, Cambridge; Mary Ann Fobes, Somerville; Edward Lawton, Maynard; James H. Tully, Lowell; Thomas H. Driscoll, Malden, Martin Shaughnessy, alias Martin O'Shaughnessy, Ashland; Rebecca M. Hesseltine, Melrose; Emma A. Taylor, North Reading; Joseph Falt, Cambridge; Abby H. Mutch, Waltham; Antonio Bernier, Jr., Lowell; Samuel Beard, Lowell; Benjamin Parker, Lowell; John Courtney, Lowell.

Lawyer Poore asked for a hearing on the case of John S. Abel for non-support of wife and minor child. Last spring Judge Brooks granted a decree that he should pay a stipulated sum each month for this purpose, but he has done very little towards it, and his case was again brought before the court.

THE REVISED CHARTER.

RECOUNT OF THE VOTES WILL NOT CHANGE THE RESULT.

Net Gain of 16 Votes on a Recount of Two Precincts—Republicans Predict Greater Changes in Republican Precincts.

When the board of aldermen had transacted all the business at last night's meeting the recount of the charter vote was commenced. Two precincts of Ward One were counted and they showed a net gain of 16 for the "no" vote on the general question, "Shall the city charter be revised? The narrow margin by which the charter was defeated, 79 votes, and the gain of 16 for the "no" vote fills democrats with satisfaction. A republican predicts heavy gains for "yes" in republican precincts, but to offset this is the same probability that the "no" vote will make substantial gains.

Art Work for Christmas.

You may delight your eyes and suit your purse at McOsker's, Canal block, Central street. He has the prettiest assortment of dainty novelties in celluloid and porcelain imaginable, all hand painted and of many designs. His stock of etchings, engravings, with fine frames is also unlimited.

Interesting.

You will find the finest and largest line of Catholic prayer books and rosary beads for sale in Lowell at T. H Lawler's book store, 79 Merrimack street, and 15 John streets

Also, a very large and choice assortment of goods for Christmas gifts, including books, diaries fancy box paper, fancy mounted pictures, silver and leather frames, ink stands, writing desks, lap tablets, games, scrap books, juvenile books, etc. Come at once and look the goods over. Come in the morning and avoid the rush. Open evenings until Christmas. T. H. Lawler, stationer and bookseller, 79 Merrimack and 15 John streets.

Christmas in the Old Country

Christmas Drafts payable at any bank in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales may be obtained at the Cunard Steamship agency, 324 Market st. cor of Worthen.

J. F. O'DONNELL, Agt.

A Word to the Wise is Sufficient.

Buy your holiday presents of us We have good trade all the year round and do not have to make up our losses of the dull seasons on our holiday sales Examine prices Dickson Bros.' Big Tea store, Merrimack street.

Money loaned on endorsed notes, personal securities and second mortgages on real estate by J. B Swift, 9 Barristers hall Telephone 405-4.

A discussion which took place the other evening among a number of old smokers was as to the merits of the best Cigar and the honors easily came to

Curfew 10c. Cigar.

XMAS, 1893.

The Price of Sugar is Very Low.

And we have made the price of our

Best Pure Broken Candy 10c. lb.
Best new Mixed Nuts 15c lb, 2 lbs. 25c.
New Figs 15c per lb.
Best new Sugar Dates 4 lbs 25c.

Come in and examine our large and carefully selected stock.

The Enterprise Cash Grocery AND TEA HOUSE

A. W. Derbyshire & Co., Props., Nos. 5 and 6 Prescott Street.

DR. KELLEY SURGEON DENTIST 16½ CENTRAL ST.

MOIR BROS.' POPULAR STORE, 119, 121, 123 Merrimack Street.

Profit Cuts no Figure nor Plays Any Part

WHEN WE SELL AT THESE RIDICULOUS PRICES.

Only four days more We are getting desperate. Thousands of dollars worth of Holiday Merchandise and only four days left for us to sell it.

Are You Willing to Buy at Just Cost?

We find this course inevitable owing to our enormous stock and the backwardness of business. The goods must go at some price or other. READ. READ. READ.

DOLLS. DOLLS.

Our entire stock to be thrown away if cost prices will do it.
25c Body Dolls now 10c
50c Indestructible Dolls now 25c
75c Large Washable Dolls now 49c.
$1.50 extra large Dolls, real hair, washable faces, now 98c each
two Japanese Dolls now 5c each.

GAMES. GAMES.

Everything to go, as we make it a point never to carry over a dollar's worth.
10c Assorted Games now 5c.
25c large Assorted Games now 10c
50c all the New Games now 25c.

TOYS TOYS.

Our entire stock of Iron Toys, Tin Toys, Wood Toys, marked down to just cost to close them out with a rush. Come early and get first choice.

BOOKS. BOOKS.

For the Children at just what they cost us.
5c Picture Books now 1c
10c Board Cover Picture Books now 5c.
25c large, thick Picture Books now 10c.
50c fine Illustrated Boys' and Girls' Books now 25c, and hundreds of other lots at half usual prices or just cost.

CELLULOID AND PLUSH CASES.

Direct from the makers at just what they cost us. They came too late for use, but we have decided to keep them and sell them at just what they cost us.

Handkerchief Cases, Glove Cases, Jewel Cases, Shaving Cases, Comb, Brush and Mirror Cases, Photograph Cases, all to go at one price or another.

BOOKLETS AND CARDS.

1 lot Satin Novelty Christmas Cards with easel backs, always 10c, now 5c each
1 lot 15c Christmas Cards and Booklets, now 10c each
1 lot 50c latest Novelties in Cards and Booklets, now 25c, and hundreds of other lots at half price.

HANDKERCHIEFS!

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Our enormous stock to be turned into money this week at just cost Thousands of dozens to select from
5c colored border Handkerchiefs now 1c
10c hemstitched Handkerchiefs now 3c each.
12½c fine hemstitched Handkerchiefs now 5c.
15c Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs now 9c.
25c Ladies' and Gents' H. S. Initial Handkerchiefs now 12½c each.
25c China Silk Embroidered Handkerchiefs now 9c each
Mufflers, Silk Mufflers at 49c, 75c, 98c and up, just what they cost us

POCKETBOOKS AND PURSES.

Our stock is the most extensive in the city. We have marked everything to just cost.
10c Leather purses now 5c each.
20c Leather Purses now 10c. each.
25c Leather Purses now 15c each.
50c Pocketbooks and Purses now 25c.
$1 00 Pocketbooks and Purses now 49c and upwards. See our line before you buy.

☞ Anything and everything in our entire stock to go at just cost.

MOIR BROS. & CO. 119, 121 and 123 Merrimack St.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE

Terrific Onslaught on the Prices of Staple Merchandise

—SUITABLE FOR—

A beautiful collection of Oriental Rugs, suitable for GIFTS, are now on exhibition in our Carpet Department.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

A varied assortment of rare and useful CHRISTMAS GIFTS will be found in our Furniture Dept., 3d and 4th floors.

An unswerving determination to record a certain amount of business in the next four days, Prompts This Generous Act. A Deep Cut in Prices of Desirable Goods at a time when people need them, has ever proved a never failing method to Raise Money and Reduce Stock. Hence it is you will find it of interest to yourself and family to visit our store Sometime During This Week. Today's announcement deals with some half dozen stocks only; fully 30 others are entitled to mention, but limited space rules them out. A visit to the store will reveal them at every turn. They comprise Cloaks, Dress Goods, Table Linens, Gents' Furnishings and a myriad of other lines which will readily commend themselves to seekers of Holiday Gifts. Our Holiday Sale of Books must not be Overlooked; such values were never before known. Every Line of Literature Represented.

Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs and Mufflers.

There has never been placed on the market such a variety of so much value for so little money.

100 dozen Ladies' White Embroidered China Silk Handkerchiefs, former price 19c. Reduced this week to 10 cents each.

75 dozen Ladies' Plain Hemstitched and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, sold from 20c to 25c, down this week to 12½c cents each.

Ladies' Embroidered Chiffon Handkerchiefs, former price 39c, down to 25 cents each

Ladies' Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs, assorted colors, sold from 60c to 75c, down to 39 cents each.

Gents' Silk Colored Border Handkerchiefs, former price 59c, down to 39 cents each.

Gents' White Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, that have formerly sold at $1, down to 59 cents each.

1 special lot of Gents' Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, extra size and quality, former price $1.25 to $1.50, down to 98 cents each.

Ladies' All-linen Embroidered Handkerchief, that have sold from 50c to 60c, down to 39 cents each.

Ladies' Embroidered Muslin Handkerchiefs, former price 50c, down to 29 cents each.

Gent's Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, that were made to retail at 50c, will be offered this week at 33 cents each.

We have an elegant lot of Gents' Box Handkerchiefs, 1-2 dozen in a box, are well worth $3, we will close this week at $1.98 per box.

Gents' full size Silk Mufflers in black and white, that have sold at $1.25 to $2 50, reduced to 75c and $1.25 each.

All-linen Embroidered real Duchess Lace Handkerchiefs, $2.75 to $7.00 each.

White Aprons.

15 different styles of White Aprons, former price 25c, down to 19 cents each.

8 different styles of Beautiful Embroidered Aprons, former price 50c, down to 39 cents each.

40 different styles of White Aprons, including a nice line of Nurses' Aprons, at 49 cents each.

We have some Exquisite Novelties in Aprons at prices ranging from 75c to $3.00 each.

WHY NOT BUY A FAN?

We have an excellent assortment and they make such useful and beautiful presents. We are showing Ostrich, Silk Gauze, and Cocks Feathers from 75c. to $4.00 each.

Fur Capes, Muffs and Boas.

There is no present a lady will value more highly than a nice Fur Cape and we have the best to be found.

3 elegant D K Striped Mink Capes, 22 inches long, sizes 36, 38, 40, price this season $90 each, reduced this week to $49.00 each

5 Skunk Oppossum Capes, former price $37.00, reduced this week to $21.50 each

4 best quality Monkey Capes, extra sweep, 32 inches long, elegantly made, sold at $60, this week to $42 50 each

We have Monkey Capes in 20 inches length, from $10.50 upwards

Astrachan Capes, from $7.50 to $15

China Seal Capes, from $7 upwards.

And various other skins which will be sold this week at the same proportion.

1 lot of Astraction Muffs, price $8, reduced this week to $1 98 each.

1 lot of China Seal Muffs, former price $3, reduced this week to $1.98 each.

1 lot of Monkey Muffs in choice quality skins, former price $5.50, reduced this week to $3.98 each.

We have some very handsome sets for children in white, grey and brown Angora and Thibet, and will close them before Saturday night at 1-3 less than former prices.

Crockery and Silverware Department.

1 lot of Cut Glass Water Bottles, former price $4, down to $1.98 each.

Cut Glass Table Tumblers, former price $3.50 per dozen, down to $1.98 per dozen.

Piano Lamp, polished gilt, complete with linen shade, former price $12, down to $8.00 each.

Plain Cut Tumblers, former price, $2.50, down to $1.75 per dozen.

B. and H. Banquet Lamps, in polished brass, removable founts, heavy linen shade with 8-inch silk fringe, former price $6.98, down to $4.00 each.

Take Your Choice

Silver Plated Button Hooks.
Silver Plated Pin Trays.
Silver plated Child's Set, knife, fork and spoon.
Silver Plated Child's Mug.
Silver Plated Match Safes and Tooth Picks.
Silver Plated Pin Cushions.
Silver Plated Steel Nut Pick Sets.
Silver Plated Card Photo Frames.
Silver Plated Good Luck Orange Spoons.
Silver Plated Good Luck Souvenir Spoons.

At 25 cents each.

We have also an elegant assortment of Wine, Champagne, Lemonade and Cordial Glasses that will be offered the balance of this week at deeply cut prices.

Ladies' Kid Gloves.

7 Hook Foster Lacing Gloves in Fosterina, Fowler and William quality in every conceivable shade. 98c., $1.25, $1.50, $1.72, $2.00 a pair.

Ladies' 4 Button Glace Kid Gloves in fancy shade and stitchings, regular $1 quality, 79 cents a pair.

Ladies' 4 Button Glace Gloves with fancy stitchings and welts to match, in a variety of colors, $1.50 a pair.

Ladies' 4 Button P.K. Kid Gloves in Navy, Bottle Green, London Red, Tans, Helio trope and Modes, $1.50 a pair.

Ladies' Evening Gloves in Elbow and Shoulder lengths, in all fancy shades, in kid or silk, $1.00 to $4.50 a pair.

Ladies' Mousquetaire Suede Gloves, all colors, $1.00 to $2.00 a pair.

Biarritz Lacing Gloves, all shades, regular $1 quality, 79 cents a pair.

Do or Die is our determined motive this week. Rich and Poor will find it for their interest to visit our store before Saturday night.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE,

Lowell's Best Bargain Givers,

Merrimack, Palmer, and Middle Streets.

BUY USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS THIS YEAR.

See if This List and Prices Suit You.

Children's Button Overshoes, Boston Best Quality, sizes 6 to 10 - - - - $1.25
Misses' Button Overshoes, Boston Best Quality, sizes 11 to 2 - - - - $1.50
Ladies' Button Overshoes, Boston best quality, sizes 2 to 7 - - - - $1.75
Children's Rubber Boots, sizes 6 to 2, first quality, $1.25
Ladies' " " " 2 to 7, " $1.50
Men's Light Weight Buckle Arctics, Boston, Hub, all sizes, $1.50
Ladies' " " " " $1.25
Men's Heavy Weight " " $1 and $1.25
Boys' Rubber Boots, dull finish, sizes 11 to 13, $1.25
Youths' Pebble Leg Rubber Boots, $1.25
Misses' and Children's Rubbers, .25
Ladies' Kid Button Boots, all sizes, .99
Men's Lace and Congress Shoes, .99
Misses' Fine Kid Shoes, spring heel, $1.00
Boys' Solid leather Shoes, $1.00

This is the year to buy presents that are useful and that will be appreciated. Nothing can be more useful than a good warm pair of shoes or overshoes. We have all kinds and our prices are the lowest.

Boulger & McOsker's

WHITE SHOE STORE,

CENTRAL STREET, and BRIDGE STREET, Cor. LAKEVIEW AVENUE

Owing to the Dull Times

We have decided to sell our **Clothing** and **Overcoats at Cost** for a time, as we do not depend on this business for a Livelihood, and can afford to give the people of Lowell their Clothing at what we pay for it, thereby doing our share to help, in this time of times. Our goods are all **New** and **Stylish, No Old Trash** for sale at any price. We do not believe in dealing in Old Chestnuts that are All Moth Eaten, and Should Have Been Worn out Five Years Ago.

We will sell, at your own price, as all will be better satisfied with the prices we have marked our goods at, than if they had made the price themselves

Our goods are of the **Nineteenth Century**, and not purchased of some parties, **to Clear up Old Trash.** Come and see us before you buy as we want Your Cash, and will give you More for it than any other dealer in Lowell.

McDONALD BROS.,

AT THEIR DOUBLE STORES,

Nos. 492, 494, 496 Merrimack Street.

CLOAK PRICES CUT IN TWO.

Times are hard; that's true. You want bargains; that's right; and here they are. We dropped over to New York just in the nick of time, for we found one of the best cloak tailors in that city ready to sell a large lot of superb garments just made, absolutely the latest thing, for less than the cost of the cloth alone. Hard up, you see. We bought them, here they are:

Bargains Without Precedent.

Handsome Fur Trimmed Cheviots $4.50

A full line of Cheviot Jackets, with fur trimmed capes and storm collars, well made, stylish, perfect fitting, all sizes, **$4.50.**

Another lot of heavy fur trimmed all wool diagonal Columbian Capes and Storm Collars, made by one of the best New York tailors, for **$6.50.**

One lot of fine, well made, perfect fitting Coats, in good Beaver Cloth and Fur trimmed, **$8.00.**

Another lot of Havana Brown Beaver Coats, full length, trimmed with Silver Fox, a prize bargain, **$6.50.** We offer this as the best value ever shown in Lowell at $6.50; made to sell at $15.00.

Another lot of tight fitting, trimmed with Beaver Fur, full length, 38 inches long, in extra fine Beaver, in Black, Havana Brown and Modes, at **$12.00,** regular $20.00 garment. We have a large selection of the very choicest new styles coming in this week. All those garments have been made within the last 30 days.

We have a lot of 50 Children's and Misses', 6 to 14, fine heavy all wool new garments at **$2.00** to **$3.50,** just the value of the uncut cloth.

Another lot of extra fine Garments, new, nobby and tailor made, in extra fine materials, made to sell from $15 to $20. Our price **$7** to **$12.**

☞ We have marked all our prices down to correspond to those bargains. None can undersell us.

The Beaver Cloak Comp'y

51 Merrimack Street, Lowell.

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The Unitarian church entertainment committee of North Chelmsford presented the drama "Rebecca's Triumph" at the town hall last evening. They were assisted in the production by a number of young ladies of the Shattuck street church. A large number of Lowell people were present. The drama was finely acted.

A number of young men met last evening and organized a social club which has been temporarily called the "McDonough" club, named after its president, Parker H. McDonough. The members include Joseph L. Dawson, George Roche, Dennis Pendergast and others. The club intends to run a dance in the near future.

SEEN AND HEARD.

"The Kickers" is the name of a newly organized club, which met Sunday for the first time, and while discussing the menu of a Middlesex street restaurant, perfected its organization. Among its members are "Battie" J. Murray, John Furlong and P. J. McManmon. To join the club one must be a chronic kicker, and be able to kick at all times and on all conditions of things. Their motto is said to be "If you don't kick yourself, no one will kick for you while many jump on you." By "kicking yourself" the members mean kicking for themselves, for their own interests. They do not have to kick themselves.

The officers elected for the ensuing year of kicks, were; Most Worthy Grand Chief kicker, B. J. Murray; Municipal kicker, P. J. McManmon, and chancellor of the "kick" or exchequer, J. F. Furlong. Two application have been received already, and they will be acted upon at the next meeting.

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A veteran conductor on one of the through trains running between Montreal and Boston, says that the hard times have made but little difference in the number of French-Canadians coming to the states in search of employment, says the Record. There may be a little falling off, he says, but so far as he was able to judge the quality this winter was worse than usual. The new comers are poorer than usual.

They are of a class which will accept almost anything in the shape of wages. Large numbers have recently come to Manchester and Lowell, while others have been bound for central and southern Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The number who had previously come here, but who are now returning home is much smaller. "The balance of exchange," said he, "in the manner of French Canadians, is largely in favor of Canada."

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One of the ingenious advertising knick-nacks is that issued by Wm G. Merrill of the Lawrence Telegram printing house. It is the shape of a shipping tag to which is appended two small corks. On the tag is this motto "When your business starts up place one of these in each ear and listen to no one offering to do your job printing until you have given us a chance." etc.

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The Columbia desk calendar which is issued annually by the Pope Manufacturing company, of Columbia bicycle fame, is out for 1894, much improved in appearance. It is a pad calendar of the same size and shape as those of previous years, having a leaf for each day, but its attractiveness has been heightened by the work of a clever artist, who has scattered a series of bright pen-drawings through its pages. It also contains, as usual, many appropriate and interesting contributions from people both bright and wise.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 53 MERR. ST.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Wall paper at 18 Church street.

If nervous, try Old Hundred cigar.

T. C. Lee, Fire Insurance, Donovan Bl'dg.

A fine toned banjo, guitar or mandolin for $12 at Stratton's.

The common council holds a special meeting this evening.

Tomorrow will be St. Thomas' day, the shortest day, of the year.

The Walsh mills on Meadowcroft street, have resumed the full time schedule.

E. G. Parker, 21 E. Merr'k st., sells best Haxall flour in the world for $4.00 per bbl.

Samuel M. Hutchins, for twenty years sexton of the East cemetery at Westford has resigned.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted plants and cut flowers in the city, Shedd's block, Central street.

The Merrimack Manufacturing company has declared a semi-annual dividend of $30 per share, payable Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Barrett observed the 25th anniversary of their wedding at their home, 4 Fay street, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Shay of San Francisco, Cal., who have been visiting relatives in this city departed yesterday for New York.

At the Ayer home forty little children will celebrate their Christmas tea, Saturday evening. Gifts or toys will be thankfully received.

Drs. Porter and Ricker are candidates for the position of city physician, to succeed Dr. Lawler, who does not care to be reappointed.

The greatest favor you can confer on friends is to give them your photo. The place to get photos taken is at Marion's, Barrister's hall.

James Coughlin has been chosen by the Stone Mason's union as delegate to the national convention to be held in Omaha in January. The union appropriated $180 for his trip.

The Riverside Oval of the Y. M. C. A., will be turned into an ice rink. It has been let for the winter to parties who have run similar rinks in Montreal and will be flooded to make a fine skating pond. If the weather holds good the rink will be open on Friday with a band in attendance.

Livermore lodge, A. O. U. W., elected the following officers last night: M. W., A. F. Kimball; M. W., A. Jameson; F., H. G. Walker; O., D. Lamberton; recorder, W. H. Waterson; receiver, J. Fleming; financial secretary, O. Whitcomb; G., M. E. Blood; I. W., H. Sutherland; O. W., D. G. Common; trustee, A. F. Kimball; alternate, M. E. Blood.

The Old Residents' Historical association will observe its 25th anniversary by meeting on Thursday evening in Runels hall. The papers will be "The Pawtucket falls as a factor in determining so much of the northern boundary of Massachusetts as lies between the Merrimack and Connecticut rivers." By Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, secretary of Massachusetts Historical society. Formation and history of the Old Residents' Historical association, By Z. E. Stone. The American quartet will furnish music, composed and arranged by Dr. F. R. Rix.

PROBATE COURT.

McIntire, J.

The following is the record of the business transacted at the regular session of the Probate court, yesterday morning:

Wills presented for probate.—Mary L. Watts, Concord; Rebecca A. Balcom, Maynard; Richard Barry, Lowell; William Bailey, Melrose; George W. Chamberlin, Waltham; Alvira H. Clark, Cambridge; Jerusha Cotting, Hudson; Joseph Gilman, Dracut; Henry L. Lombard, Somerville; William W. Bates, Lowell; William E. Hall, Marlborough; Mary A. Dursiel, Litchfield, N. H.; George Proctor, Somerville.

Administrations—Mary D. Rooney, Waltham; Mary J. Brown, Cambridge; Mary Ann Fobes, Somerville; Edward Lawton, Maynard; James H. Tully, Lowell; Thomas H. Driscoll, Malden; Martin Shaughnessy, alias Martin O'Shaughnessy, Ashland; Rebecca M. Hesseltine, Melrose; Emma A. Taylor, North Reading; Joseph Falt, Cambridge; Abby H. Murch, Waltham; Antonio Bernier, Jr., Lowell; Samuel Beard, Lowell; Benjamin Parker, Lowell; John Courtney, Lowell.

Lawyer Poore asked for a hearing on the case of John S. Abel for non-support of wife and minor child. Last spring Judge Brooks granted a decree that he should pay a stipulated sum each month for this purpose, but he has done very little towards it, and his case was again brought before the court.

THE REVISED CHARTER.

RECOUNT OF THE VOTES WILL NOT CHANGE THE RESULT.

Net Gain of 16 Votes on a Recount of Two Precincts—Republicans Predict Greater Changes in Republican Precincts.

When the board of aldermen had transacted all the business at last night's meeting the recount of the charter vote was commenced. Two precincts of Ward One were counted and they showed a net gain of 16 for the "no" vote on the general question, "Shall the city charter be revised? The narrow margin by which the charter was defeated, 79 votes, and the gain of 16 for the "no" vote fills democrats with satisfaction. A republican predicts heavy gains for "yes" in republican precincts, but to offset this is the same probability that the "no" vote will make substantial gains.

Art Work for Christmas.

You may delight your eyes and suit your purse at McOsker's, Canal block, Central street. He has the prettiest assortment of dainty novelties in celluloid and porcelain imaginable, all hand painted and of many designs. His stock of etchings, engravings, with fine frames is also unlimited.

Interesting.

You will find the finest and largest line of Catholic prayer books and rosary beads for sale in Lowell at T. H. Lawler's book store, 79 Merrimack street, and 15 John streets.

Also, a very large and choice assortment of goods for Christmas gifts, including books, diaries, fancy box paper, fancy mounted pictures, silver and leather frames, ink stands, writing desks, lap tablets, games, scrap books, juvenile books, etc. Come at once and look the goods over. Come in the morning and avoid the rush. Open evenings until Christmas. T. H. Lawler, stationer and bookseller, 79 Merrimack and 15 John streets.

Christmas in the Old Country.

Christmas Drafts payable at any bank in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales may be obtained at the Cunard Steamship agency, 324 Market st. cor. of Worthen.
J. F. O'DONNELL, Agt.

A Word to the Wise is Sufficient.

Buy your holiday presents of us. We have good trade all the year round and do not have to make up our losses of the dull seasons on our holiday sales. Examine prices. Dickson Bros.' Big Ten store, Merrimack street.

Money loaned on endorsed notes, personal securities and second mortgages on real estate by J. B. Swift, 9 Barristers hall. Telephone 405-4.

A discussion which took place the other evening among a number of old smokers was as to the merits of the best Cigar and the honors easily came to

Curfew 10c. Cigar.

XMAS, 1893.

The Price of Sugar is Very Low.

And we have made the price of our

Best Pure Broken Candy 10c. lb.
Best new Mixed Nuts 15c lb, 2 lbs. 25c.
New Figs 15c per lb.
Best new Sugar Dates 4 lbs 25c.

Come in and examine our large and carefully selected stock.

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The Enterprise Cash Grocery

AND TEA HOUSE.

A. W. Derbyshire & Co., Props.,

Nos. 5 and 6 Prescott Street.

DR. KELLEY, SURGEON DENTIST, 161 CENTRAL ST.

MOIR BROS.' POPULAR STORE, 119, 121, 123 Merrimack Street.

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Profit Cuts no Figure nor Plays Any Part

WHEN WE SELL AT THESE RIDICULOUS PRICES.

Only four days more. We are getting desperate. Thousands of dollars worth of Holiday Merchandise and only four days left for us to sell it.

Are You Willing to Buy at Just Cost?

We find this course inevitable owing to our enormous stock and the backwardness of business. The goods must go at some price or other. READ. READ. READ.

DOLLS. DOLLS.

Our entire stock to be thrown away if cost prices will do it.
25c Body Dolls now 10c.
50c Indestructible Dolls now 25c.
75c Large Washable Dolls now 49c.
$1.50 extra large Dolls, real hair, washable faces, now 98c each.
10c Japanese Dolls now 5c each.

GAMES. GAMES.

Everything to go, as we make it a point never to carry over a dollar's worth.
10c Assorted Games now 5c.
25c large Assorted Games now 10c.
50c all the New Games now 25c.

TOYS TOYS.

Our entire stock of Iron Toys, Tin Toys, Wood Toys, marked down to just cost to close them out with a rush. Come early and get first choice.

BOOKS. BOOKS.

For the Children at just what they cost us.
5c Picture Books now 1c.
10c Board Cover Picture Books now 5c.
25c large, thick Picture Books now 10c.
50c fine Illustrated Boys' and Girls' Books now 25c, and hundreds of other lots at half usual prices or just cost.

CELLULOID AND PLUSH CASES.

Direct from the makers at just what they cost us. They came too late for use, but we have decided to keep them and sell them at just what they cost us.
Handkerchief Cases, Glove Cases, Jewel Cases, Shaving Cases, Comb, Brush and Mirror Cases, Photograph Cases, all to go at one price or another.

BOOKLETS AND CARDS.

1 lot Satin Novelty Christmas Cards with easel backs, always 10c, now 5c each.
1 lot 15c Christmas Cards and Booklets, now 10c each.
1 lot 50c latest Novelties in Cards and Booklets, now 25c, and hundreds of other lots at half price.

HANDKERCHIEFS! HANDKERCHIEFS!

Our enormous stock to be turned into money this week at just cost. Thousands of dozens to select from.
5c colored border Handkerchiefs now 1c.
10c hemstitched Handkerchiefs now 3c each.
12½c fine hemstitched Handkerchiefs now 5c.
25c Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs now 9c.
25c Ladies' and Gents' H. S. Initial Handkerchiefs now 12½c each.
25c China Silk Embroidered Handkerchiefs now 9c each.
Mufflers, Silk Mufflers at 49c, 75c, 98c and up, just what they cost us.

POCKETBOOKS AND PURSES.

Our stock is the most extensive in the city. We have marked everything to just cost.
10c. Leather purses now 5c. each.
20c. Leather Purses now 10c. each.
25c. Leather Purses now 15c each.
50c Pocketbooks and Purses now 25c.
$1.00 Pocketbooks and Purses now 49c and upwards. See our line before you buy.

☞ Anything and everything in our entire stock to go at just cost.

MOIR BROS. & CO. 119, 121 and 123 Merrimack St.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE

Terrific Onslaught on the Prices of Staple Merchandise

—SUITABLE FOR—

A beautiful collection of Oriental Rugs, suitable for GIFTS, are now on exhibition in our Carpet Department.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

A varied assortment of rare and useful CHRISTMAS GIFTS will be found in our Furniture Dept., 3d and 4th floors.

An unswerving determination to record a certain amount of business in the next four days, Prompts This Generous Act. A Deep Cut in Prices of Desirable Goods at a time when people need them, has ever proved a never failing method to Raise Money and Reduce Stock. Hence it is you will find it of interest to yourself and family to visit our store Sometime During This Week. Today's announcement deals with some half dozen stocks only; fully 30 others are entitled to mention, but limited space rules them out. A visit to the store will reveal them at every turn. They comprise Cloaks, Dress Goods, Table Linens, Gents' Furnishings and a myriad of other lines which will readily commend themselves to seekers of Holiday Gifts. Our Holiday Sale of Books must not be Overlooked; such values were never before known. Every Line of Literature Represented.

Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs and Mufflers.

There has never been placed on the market such a variety of so much value for so little money.

100 dozen Ladies' White Embroidered China Silk Handkerchiefs, former price 19c. Reduced this week to 10 cents each.

75 dozen Ladies' Plain Hemstitched and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, sold from 20c to 25c, down this week to 12½c cents each.

Ladies' Embroidered Chiffon Handkerchiefs, former price 39c, down to 25 cents each.

Ladies' Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs, assorted colors, sold from 60c to 75c, down to 39 cents each.

Gents' Silk Colored Border Handkerchiefs, former price 59c, down to 39 cents each.

Gents' White Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, that have formerly sold at $1, down to 59 cents each.

1 special lot of Gents' Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, extra size and quality, former price $1.25 to $1.50, down to 98 cents each.

Ladies' All-linen Embroidered Handkerchief, that have sold from 50c to 60c, down to 39 cents each.

Ladies' Embroidered Muslin Handkerchiefs, former price 50c, down to 29 cents each.

Gent's Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, that were made to retail at 50c, will be offered this week at 33 cents each.

We have an elegant lot of Gents' Box Handkerchiefs, 1-2 dozen in a box, are well worth $3, we will close this week at $1.98 per box.

Gents' full size Silk Mufflers in black and white, that have sold at $1.25 to $2.50, reduced to 75c and $1.25 each.

All-linen Embroidered real Duchess Lace Handkerchiefs, $2.75 to $7.00 each.

White Aprons.

15 different styles of White Aprons, former price 25c, down to 19 cents each.

8 different styles of Beautiful Embroidered Aprons, former price 50c, down to 39 cents each.

40 different styles of White Aprons, including a nice line of Nurses' Aprons, at 49 cents each.

We have some Exquisite Novelties in Aprons at prices ranging from 75c to $3.00 each.

WHY NOT BUY A FAN?

We have an excellent assortment and they make such useful and beautiful presents. We are showing Ostrich, Silk Gauze, and Cocks Feathers from 75c. to $4.00 each.

Fur Capes, Muffs and Boas.

There is no present a lady will value more highly than a nice Fur Cape and we have the best to be found.

3 elegant D K Striped Mink Capes, 22 inches long, sizes 36, 38, 40, price this season $90 each, reduced this week to $49.00 each

5 Skunk Oppossum Capes, former price $37.00, reduced this week to $21.50 each

4 best quality Monkey Capes, extra sweep, 32 inches long, elegantly made, sold at $60, this week to $42.50 each

We have Monkey Capes in 20 inches length, from $10.50 upwards

Astrachan Capes, from $7.50 to $15

China Seal Capes, from $7 upwards.

And various other skins which will be sold this week at the same proportion.

1 lot of Astraction Muffs, price $3, reduced this week to $1.98 each.

1 lot of China Seal Muffs, former price $3, reduced this week to $1.98 each.

1 lot of Monkey Muffs in choice quality skins, former price $5.50, reduced this week to $3.98 each.

We have some very handsome sets for children in white, grey and brown Angora and Thibet, and will close them before Saturday night at 1-3 less than former prices.

Crockery and Silverware Department.

1 lot of Cut Glass Water Bottles, former price $4, down to $1.98 each.

Cut Glass Table Tumblers, former price $3.60 per dozen, down to $1.98 per dozen.

Piano Lamp, polished gilt, complete with linen shade, former price $12, down to $8.00 each.

Plain Cut Tumblers, former price, $2.50, down to $1.75 per dozen.

B. and H. Banquet Lamps, in polished brass, removable founts, heavy linen shade with 8-inch silk fringe, former price $6.98, down to $4.00 each.

Take Your Choice
Silver Plated Button Hooks.
Silver Plated Pin Trays.
Silver plated Child's Set, knife, fork and spoon.
Silver Plated Child's Mug.

Silver Plated Match Safes and Tooth Picks.
Silver Plated Pin Cushions.
Silver Plated Steel Nut Pick Sets.
Silver Plated Card Photo Frames.
Silver Plated Good Luck Orange Spoons.
Silver Plated Good Luck Souvenir Spoons.
At 25 cents each.

We have also an elegant assortment of Wine, Champagne, Lemonade and Cordial Glasses that will be offered the balance of this week at deeply cut prices.

Ladies' Kid Gloves.

7 Hook Foster Lacing Gloves in Fosterina, Fowler and William quality in every conceivable shade.
98c., $1.25, $1.50, $1.72, $2.00 a pair.

Ladies' 4 Button Glace Kid Gloves in fancy shade and stitchings, regular $1 quality, 79 cents a pair.

Ladies' 4 Button Glace Gloves with fancy stitchings and welts to match, in a variety of colors, $1.50 a pair.

Ladies' 4 Button P.K. Kid Gloves in Navy, Bottle Green, London Red, Tans, Heliotrope and Modes, $1.50 a pair.

Ladies' Evening Gloves in Elbow and Shoulder lengths, in all fancy shades, in kid or silk, $1.00 to $4.50 a pair.

Ladies' Mousquetarie Suede Gloves, all colors, $1.00 to $2.00 a pair.

Biarritz Lacing Gloves, all shades, regular $1 quality, 79 cents a pair.

Do or Die is our determined motive this week. Rich and Poor will find it for their interest to visit our store before Saturday night.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE,

Lowell's Best Bargain Givers,

Merrimack, Palmer, and Middle Streets.

BUY USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS THIS YEAR.

See if This List and Prices Suit You.

Children's Button Overshoes, Boston Best Quality, sizes 6 to 10	$1.25
Misses' Button Overshoes, Boston Best Quality, sizes 11 to 2	$1.50
Ladies' Button Overshoes, Boston best quality, sizes 2 to 7	$1.75
Children's Rubber Boots, sizes 6 to 2, first quality,	$1.25
Ladies' " " " 2 to 7, "	$1.50
Men's Light Weight Buckle Arctics, Boston, Hub, all sizes,	$1.50
Ladies' " " " "	$1.25
Men's Heavy Weight " "	$1 and $1.25
Boys' Rubber Boots, dull finish, sizes 11 to 13,	$1.25
Youths' Pebble Leg Rubber Boots,	$1.25
Misses' and Children's Rubbers,	.25
Ladies' Kid Button Boots, all sizes,	.99
Men's Lace and Congress Shoes,	.99
Misses' Fine Kid Shoes, spring heel,	$1.00
Boys' Solid leather Shoes,	$1.00

This is the year to buy presents that are useful and that will be appreciated. Nothing can be more useful than a good warm pair of shoes or overshoes. We have all kinds and our prices are the lowest.

Boulger & McOsker's

WHITE SHOE STORE,

CENTRAL STREET, and BRIDGE STREET, Cor. LAKEVIEW AVENUE

Owing to the Dull Times

We have decided to sell our **Clothing** and **Overcoats at Cost** for a time, as we do not depend on this business for a Livelihood, and can afford to give the people of Lowell their Clothing at what we pay for it, thereby doing our share to help, in this time of times. Our goods are all **New** and **Stylish, No Old Trash** for sale at any price. We do not believe in dealing in Old Chestnuts that are All Moth Eaten, and Should Have Been Worn out Five Years Ago.

We will sell, at your own price, as all will be better satisfied with the prices we have marked our goods at, than if they had made the price themselves

Our goods are of the **Nineteenth Century**, and not purchased of some parties, **to Clear up Old Trash.** Come and see us before you buy as we want Your Cash, and will give you More for it than any other dealer in Lowell.

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McDONALD BROS.,

AT THEIR DOUBLE STORES,

Nos. 492, 494, 496 Merrimack Street.

CLOAK PRICES CUT IN TWO.

Times are hard; that's true. You want bargains; that's right; and here they are. We dropped over to New York just in the nick of time, for we found one of the best cloak tailors in that city ready to sell a large lot of superb garments just made, absolutely the latest thing, for less than the cost of the cloth alone. Hard up, you see. We bought them, here they are:

Bargains Without Precedent.

Handsome Fur Trimmed Cheviots $4.50

A full line of Cheviot Jackets, with fur trimmed capes and storm collars, well made, stylish, perfect fitting, all sizes, **$4.50.**

Another lot of heavy fur trimmed all wool diagonal Columbian Capes and Storm Collars, made by one of the best New York tailors, for **$6.50.**

One lot of fine, well made, perfect fitting Coats, in good Beaver Cloth and Fur trimmed, **$8.00.**

Another lot of Havana Brown Beaver Coats, full length, trimmed with Silver Fox, a prize bargain, **$6.50.** We offer this as the best value ever shown in Lowell at $6.50; made to sell at $15.00.

Another lot of tight fitting, trimmed with Beaver Fur, full length, 38 inches long, in extra fine Beaver, in Black, Havana Brown and Modes, at **$12.00**, regular $20.00 garment. We have a large selection of the very choicest new styles coming in this week. All those garments have been made within the last 30 days.

We have a lot of 50 Children's and Misses', 6 to 14, fine heavy all wool new garments at **$2.00** to **$3.50**, just the value of the uncut cloth.

Another lot of extra fine Garments, new, nobby and tailor made, in extra fine materials, made to sell from $15 to $20. Our price **$7** to **$12.**

☞ We have marked all our prices down to correspond to those bargains. None can undersell us.

The Beaver Cloak Comp'y

51 Merrimack Street, Lowell.